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PREFACE

"WHY have I written this book?" Only to preserve the history of this honest and God-fearing family for future generations.

It has been a fascinating task to gather the data for the book. I have visited many relatives, written many letters, and visited many cemeteries for the purpose.

I have tried to record every happening correctly, giving correct dates. Some times that has been almost impossible. Old people's memories fail and they do not always agree.

I have observed a certain order in the arrangement. The names in a family group have been given in the order of birth. Then, beginning with the oldest child, I have given the history of each, and have traced its descendants if any down to the present generation. I have then returned to the next child, and traced its history likewise. That arrangement groups into sections all who claim common origin from the same child and makes it easy to see the relationship existing between various members of the family.

Most of the book deals with John Nelson Biard and his descendants.

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

After giving a considerable amount of time to the study of the question I am convinced that the Biards, Bairds, Beards, Bayards and Bards are all members of the same family.

It is said that the name is of Norse origin and was probably carried to France and Italy by some of the followers of Rollo.

One Barte or Biard came to England with William the Conqueror. The Norse meaning of the word is "hard" "brave" "strong" "inconquerable." The Welsh or Irish word Bard means a singer. Hebrew Baar also means a singer.

Our name seems to have originally been Bard. The English and Irish branches of the family usually spell it Beard. The Scotch spell it Baird and Bayard. In Holland it is Bayert, and in ancient New York documents it is Baird, Biart, Biard and Byard. The only Biards I find in the encyclopedia are French. At the present time I find none who spell the name Biard except members of our branch of the family. Occasionally an individual changes the spelling of his name to suit his taste.

I have read a book "The Baird and Beard Families" by Mrs. Fermine Baird Catchings which shows that she has been to a great deal of time and expense in looking up the history of these families.

This history as she gives it is substantially as follows:

One Biard came from France to England in 1066 with William the Conqueror.

Ugone de Bard lived in Aosta, Italy, in 1011. Two of his sons having fallen out with their father, left Italy and went to France where there were already some di Bards. From France the Bards went to England, 1066, and from England to Scotland in 1230.

Several heads of families of Bairds went in 1605 from Scotland to North Ireland where their descendants were called Scotch-Irish Beards. About 1647 many Beards and Bairds came from Ireland to America settling especially in Pennsylvania and Virginia.

Also, they came directly from England in 1635 to Virginia and in 1639 to Connecticut. They came from Holland to New York in 1647 and from Scotland as early as 1683 settling in New Jersey.

At this late day very few can say with any certainty from which of the early settlers they are descended, and although in her book Mrs. Catchings traces several lines as far back as she can go nowhere in her book does she give our line as we know it, or any branch that we can recognize as being probably ours.

The only Biards or Beards positively known to be related to us are the descendants of George Biard or Beard born in 1777 and John Nelson Biard born in 1780. They were brothers and John Nelson Biard was my great grandfather.

In the succeeding chapters I have given the history of my family as it has been told to me by relatives and learned from family records and inscriptions on tombstones. I have set down the names, and the history of each so far as I could learn it, of the members of our branch of the Biard family.

CHAPTER II

HENRY BIARD

Henry Biard is the earliest known Biard of our family. My grandfather, Andrew Jackson Biard said that he was of Scotch-Irish descent and that he came to Virginia from Scotland. He settled in Virginia and married a Nelson, a sister of Thomas Nelson, Jr., who was one of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Henry Biard was the father of thirteen children, seven sons and six daughters.

We do not know where or when Henry was born or lived or died. It seems probable that he left Virginia and went to the Yadkin River in North Carolina. Daniel Boone went from the Yadkin River to Kentucky, and it is said that three of Henry's sons, including Henry Jr., went with him. John Nelson Biard, son of Henry Biard, married Rebecca Stone and her uncle, Barton W. Stone, was educated at Guilford, N. C., near the Yadkin River. So, it is probable that the Biards, Boones and Stones were neighbors on the Yadkin River, N. C. Anyway, Henry Biard or his sons went from Virginia to the Yadkin River in North Carolina, then to Bledsoe County, Tennessee, in Sequatchie Valley, then to Limestone County, Alabama.

CHILDREN

1. HENRY BIARD
2. ARCHER BIARD: d. 1833 at Helena, Ark., of cholera
3. WELCOME BIARD
4. DAUGHTER, married John Blair
5. DAUGHTER, married a Guinne
6. GEORGE BIARD: b. 1777; d. 1825
7. JOHN NELSON BIARD: b. Jan. 15, 1780; d. 1839

Of the other six children of Henry Biard we do not even know the names. There was a Thomas Biard in Greenbrier County, West Virginia, when the census of 1790 was taken. He was probably a son of Henry Biard, named for his uncle, Thomas Nelson.

All we know of Henry Biard II is that he went with Daniel Boone to Kentucky and settled Bardstown in Nelson County. Two of his brothers whose names are not given went with him.

Of Archer Biard, son of Henry Biard, we only know

+ see enclosed papers.

where, and when and how he died. In 1833, at Helena, Arkansas, of cholera.

Of Welcome Biard, son of Henry Biard from Scotland, we only know the name.

One daughter of Henry Biard from Scotland married John Blair. Nothing further is known of her.

One daughter of Henry Biard from Scotland married a Guinne. She seems to have gone with her people in their wanderings—from Virginia to the Yadkin River, to Tennessee, to Alabama, and finally, her daughters came to Texas with their cousins.

CHILDREN

1. HAPPUCH GUINNE
2. HENRIETTA GUINNE

HAPPUCH GUINNE

married

PRIDEMORE

Happuch or "Happy" Pridemore and her husband started to Texas with the Biards in 1846, but stopped off somewhere in Louisiana and stayed. They never came on to Texas.

HENRIETTA GUINNE

married

JACK AIKEN b. June 27, 1810; d. Nov. 7, 1899.

Henrietta Guinne and her cousin, Matilda Biard, married brothers, Jack and Alex Aiken. Jack Aiken and his wife came to Texas on the flatboat in 1846, but stopped near Marshall with Alex Aiken and wife.

:se all spelled the name Beard.

M. A.

CHAPTER III

GEORGE BIARD

GEORGE BIARD: born 1777; died 1825 in Alabama.
married
MARTHA WOOD: born 1780; died 1852, in Mississippi.

George Biard was one of the seven sons of Henry Biard from Scotland. He began life at farming in East Tennessee. Later he moved to Limestone County, Alabama, where his youngest child was born in 1824, and where he died in 1825. He was a leading man in his County and was the father of Billy and George Biard, who used to live around Glory and Howland.

CHILDREN

1. HENRY BIARD
2. RICHARD W. BIARD
3. JANE BIARD
4. WELCOME BIARD
5. GEORGE BIARD
6. CUNHAPICK BIARD
7. DRUSILLA BIARD
8. (Adam) WILLIAM A. BIARD: b. April 17, 1824; d. Jan. 27, 1892.

Of Henry, RiRchard W. and Drusilla we have no further records.

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JANE BIARD
married
PLEASANT NELSON BIARD: born Nov. 13, 1804.

Jane or Aunt Jenny Biard was the oldest daughter of George Biard (b. 1777). She married her first cousin, son of John Nelson Biard. Her husband died in Mississippi some time before 1854. After the Civil War, about 1871, she and her children, her brothers and sisters came to Lamar County, Texas. She stayed one year and went to Grant County, Arkansas with her son, J. Calvin Biard. I will name her children when I reach Pleasant Nelson Biard, Chapter V.

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WELCOME BIARD
married
GINCEY

Welcome, the third son of George Biard (b. 1777), started to move to Texas, but his wagon broke down at Oxford, Mississippi, so he stopped and made his home there until his death.

CHILDREN

1. HAPPY BIARD
2. CREASY BIARD
3. SON
4. SON

HAPPY BIARD
married
BILL WOOTEN

Happy Wooten is a daughter of Welcome Biard. She lives in Oxford, Miss.

CHILDREN

1. LENA WOOTEN

LENA WOOTEN
married
BUFORD SHORT

Lena Short is a daughter of Happy Wooten and great granddaughter of George Biard (b. 1777).

CHILDREN

1. GLADYS SHORT

Gladys Short is married. She is a great great granddaughter of George Biard, son of Henry Biard from Scotland. Welcome Biard had a son whose name is unknown, and whose daughter, Ida, married a Beard.

GEORGE BEARD II
married
PRITCHARD

George Beard, fourth son and fifth child of George Biard (b. 1777) came to Lamar Co., Texas. I think he came about the time his brother, William A. Beard came, which was 1871. George lived and died north of Glory. He and his son, "Little George" were buried at Friendship Cemetery. His wife was a sister to his sister, Cunhapick's husband.

CHILDREN

1. GEORGE

GEORGE BEARD III
married
SALLIE HOWELL

This George Beard married a sister of "Jode" Howell and lived north of Glory where Morgan Teems now lives.

CHILDREN

1. ROACHIE
2. MONTIE
3. DALTIE
4. DESSIE: mar..... Trice

CUNHAPICK BEARD
married
PRITCHARD

Cunhapick or "Aunt Happy" Pritchard was the second daughter and sixth child of George Biard (b. 1777). She married the brother of her brother George's wife. She came to Texas from Pontotoc Co., Miss., about 1871, and located near Glory.

CHILDREN

1. SON, who was a Baptist preacher
2. MARTHA E. PRITCHARD: b. Jan. 22, 1846; d. Dec. 30, 1879

MARTHA E. PRITCHARD: b. Jan. 22, 1846; d. Dec. 30, 1879.
married
"JODE" HOWELL

Mrs. Howell lived and reared her family and died near Glory. She is buried in Friendship Cemetery near Biardstown. After her death her husband married again.

CHILDREN

1. ALICE HOWELL
2. MINNIE LOU HOWELL
3. TENNIE HOWELL
4. REDUS HOWELL

ALICE HOWELL
married
TOM HEARON

Mrs. Hearon has been a widow for a long time. She owns a large tract of land west of Glory, but makes her home in Paris.

CHILDREN

1. MAY HEARON. May married R. H. Rutledge. They live near Broadway and have several children.
2. BELLE HEARON. She married H. A. Holland and died soon after.
3. MINNIE LAURA HEARON. She married Otto Bruner of Paris.

MINNIE LOU HOWELL

Minnie Lou has never married. She makes her home with her sister, Mrs. Hearon.

TENNIE HOWELL
married
DR. MANNING

Tennie was reared and married at Glory. Her husband practiced medicine at Atlas but moved to Collin County, where his people lived. She was a prominent Rebekah a few years ago.

REDUS HOWELL
married

Redus Howell lives on the farm of his sister, Mrs. Hearon near Broadway. He is a Baptist preacher and farmer.

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(adam) WILLIAM A. BIARD: b. Apr. 17, 1824; d. Jan. 27, 1892.
married Aug. 25, 1847, in Mississippi.

1. JANE M. CRUMB: died 1862, in Mississippi.
   married
2. MRS. JANE JACKSON: b. July 10, 1823; d. May 28, 1873 in Texas.
   married in Texas
3. MRS. SARAH JANE SHANKLE: b. Dec. 7, 1838: d. Aug. 29, 1901.

William A. Beard was the youngest child of George Beard (b. 1777). He was born in Limestone Co., Alabama, and moved to Mississippi in 1840. He began life as a day laborer. He supported his mother and two sisters until 1842.

He served throughout the Civil War in Company A, Thirty-First Mississippi Regiment. He surrendered at Greensboro, N. C., with Gen. Johnston in 1865.

After the war he settled down to farming. He came to Texas in 1871, settling in Delta County near Mt. Joy and Enloe. He owned 353 acres of fine Texas land. He had three children by his first wife and three by his last.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge.

CHILDREN

1. MARGARET BEARD
2. JULIA A. BEARD
3. ALVY B. BEARD (Baxter)
4. ARCHIE: b. 1876; d. in infancy
5. CHARLEY BEARD
6. LULA BEARD

CHAPTER IV

JOHN NELSON BIARD

JOHN NELSON BIARD: b. Jan. 15, 1780; d. 1839.
married
REBECCA STONE: b. Oct. 12, 1782; d. Feb. 18, 1848.

John Nelson Biard was the youngest son of Henry Biard from Scotland. He was named Nelson for his uncle, Thomas Nelson, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. I have not learned where he was born or lived in early life. In the year 1818 he moved with his family of wife and five children from Bledsoe Co., Tenn., to Limestone Co. Ala., where he reared his family and where they all married.

In 1839, when the first Government work was done at Muscle Shoals on the Tennessee River in Alabama, and near his home, he went there to work and was killed. His body was carried home and buried on his farm. Years later, his sons in Texas bought a monument, had it shipped there and put up over his grave.

Note.—Black, or Ripley farm later. Near Ripley school.

His wife was Rebecca Stone. Her parents were Ezekiel and Jane Stone. Ezekiel was born Nov. 24, 1756. Jane was born March 29, 1761. Both died in 1837. I do not know where they were born, lived or died. Ezekiel Stone was a brother of Barton W. Stone, one of the founders of the (Campbellite) Christian Church.

Barton Warren Stone was one of the twenty children of the son of the Earl of Surrey. He was born at Port Tobacco, Maryland, Dec. 24, 1772. He organized the First Christian Church at Cane Ridge meeting house in Bourbon Co., Ky., in 1804. He died at Hannibal, Mo., Nov. 9, 1844. Later, his body was removed to Cane Ridge, Ky. He left two daughters: Amanda W. Bowen of Hannibal, Mo., and Mary Anne Moore of Lexington, Ky.

Rebecca Stone Biard had a sister, Katy, the "Aunt Katy" for whom Uncle Washington and Uncle Gaines Biard named several of their grandchildren. She first married a lawyer named Robinson, by whom she had several boys. After his death she married John Dunn.

After the death of her husband in 1839 Rebecca Stone

Biard came to Texas with her children. She died of pneumonia Feb. 18, 1848, at the home of her daughter, Minerva Jane Stephenson in Biardstown at the place where Gerald Smith now lives, and was buried at Antioch Cemetery, being the first body interred there.

CHILDREN

1. PLEASANT NELSON: b. Nov. 13, 1804
2. MATILDA: b. Jan. 7, 1811. d. Dec. 1, 1853.
3. WILLIAM WASHINGTON: b. Sept. 10, 1812; d. Feb. 7, 1892
4. ANDREW JACKSON: b. Sept. 10, 1814; d. June 14, 1902
5. JOHN GAINES: b. Aug. 20, 1816; d. Mar. 12, 1890
6. ARCHIBALD CARROLL: b. Nov. 12, 1820.
7. MINERVA JANE: b. Feb. 25, 1825; d. Mar. 3, 1890

CHAPTER V

PLEASANT NELSON BIARD

PLEASANT N. BIARD: b. Nov. 13, 1804; d. in Mississippi.
married
JANE or "JENNIE" BIARD

Pleasant was the oldest child of John Nelson Biard. He married his first cousin, the daughter of his uncle, George Beard. I do not know the date of his death but he died before 1854.

After the Civil War his widow, his son, J. Calvin Biard and family, another daughter(name not given), and Aunt Sibia Bailey and family moved to Lamar Co., Texas. His widow, Aunt Jenny,, and her son, Calvin, stayed only one year and moved to Grant Co., Ark.

CHILDREN

1. HAPPUCH BIARD
2. "PUSS" BIARD
3. J. CALVIN BIARD
4. SIBIA BIARD: b. Oct. 29, 1829; d. Nov. 25, 1884

Of Happuch Biard, daughter of Pleasant Nelson Biard, I only know that she stayed in Mississippi when the rest of the family came to Texas.

Of "Puss" I know only that she married a Tudor. Probably she was the unnamed sister who came to Texas with Calvin Biard and his mother and went on to Grant Co., Ark., with them.

J. Calvin Biard was living at Pontotoc, Miss., in 1870. Afterward, he, his family, his sister, Sibia Bailey, and her children, his mother and another sister moved to Lamar Co., Texas. He and his mother stayed one year, then went to Grant Co., Ark.

CHILDREN

1. TABITHA ANN BOADICEA BIARD: b. Feb. 6, 1868

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SIBIA BIARD: b. Oct. 29, 1829; d. Nov. 25, 1884.
married
1. ..... BAILEY in Pontotoc Co., Mississippi.
2. JOSEPH WILLIAM FINN: b. Mar. 23, 1824; d. Jan. 6, 1897.

Sibia Biard Bailey Finn was the daughter of Pleasant Nelson Biard. After the death of her first husband in Pontotoc Co., Miss., she and her children moved to Lamar Co., Texas, about 1871. After coming here she married Wm. Finn, a brother to her aunts by marriage, Delila and Amanda Biard. She died near Biardstown and is buried in Antioch Cemetery.

CHILDREN

1. PLEAS BAILEY: b. about 1848
2. MAGGIE BAILEY: b. Nov. 30, 1856: d. Aug. 19, 1893
3. SUSAN BAILEY
4. JEFF D. BAILEY

PLEAS BAILEY: b. 1848.
married in Pontotoc Co., Miss.
FRANCIS FOSHEE: b. 1858; d. 1922.

Pleas Bailey was born in Mississippi, came to Texas about 1871, lived in Lamar and Delta Counties a number of years, but now lives with his son, Oscar, in Smith Co., Texas.

CHILDREN

1. EDNA BAILEY: b. 1873
2. WILL E. BAILEY: b. 1878
3. WESLEY BAILEY: b. 1886
4. NANCY BAILEY: b. 1888
5. OSCAR W. BAILEY: b. 1890
6. MARY BELLE BAILEY

Edna Bailey married C. C. Cottrell and lives in Oklahoma.

Will E. Bailey married a Pedivale at Lake Creek, Delta Co. He now lives in West Texas.

Wesley Bailey married Miss Martin. Both are dead (1928). Left two girls, Nita and Edith. Nita married Dock Dry. Edith married Henry McNew. Both girls live in Smith Co., Texas.

Nancy Bailey married Wig Hancock of Lamar Co., and now lives in Smith Co. Has two children, Albert James and Montie. Albert James married in Mena, Ark.

Oscar W. Bailey married Pearl Council of Delta Co., and now lives in Smith Co., Texas.

CHILDREN

1. MAUDIE LEE
2. WINIFRED
3. BEULAH
4. ROLAND
5. OLAND
6. REBA
7. DESSIE MARIE

Mary Belle Bailey married Bradford Larry of Charleston, Delta Co., and lives there. She has five children, Effie, Noah, Dollie

MAGGIE BAILEY: b. Nov. 30, 1856; d. Aug. 19, 1893.
married at Biardstown, Texas
THADDEUS SCURLOCK:..... died before 1928.

Maggie Scurlock, older daughter of Sibia Bailey Finn, married, lived and died at Biardstown.

CHILDREN

1. GRACE SCURLOCK: married, lives at Kirbyville
2. KATE SCURLOCK
3. JOHN SCURLOCK

SUSAN BAILEY:.....; d. 1926.
married
FRANK ROBERTS:

Susan Roberts, younger daughter of Sibia Finn, married at Biardstown. She lived there several years, but later lived and died in Louisiana across the Sabine River from Kirbyville where her brother, Jeff Bailey, lives.

CHILDREN

1. SIBIA ROBERTS: lives at Kirbyville
2. MAMIE ROBERTS
3. MAUD ROBERTS
4. JEFF ROBERTS: lives in Louisiana

JEFF D. BAILEY

Jeff is the younger son of Sibia Bailey Finn. He has never married and was living at Kirbyville, Texas in 1928.

CHAPTER VI

THE BIARDS COME TO TEXAS

The father, John Nelson Biard, having died in Alabama in 1839, the mother, Rebecca Stone Biard and most of her children moved to Texas. They came from Limestone Co., Ala., to Lamar Co., Texas, where three of the sons and one daughter settled. These were: William Washington Biard, Andrew Jackson Biard, John Gaines Biard, and Minerva Jane Stephenson.

I have wondered why they chose this particular location. I think it was because the Wheats were already here. There were six of the Wheat boys, three of one set and three of another, cousins to the first. Robert Wheat was a brother-in-law to Andrew Jackson and William Washington Biard and was also a cousin to the Stephenson boys, one of whom was William Stephenson who had married Minerva Jane Biard.

The Wheats came about 1833. Robert Wheat arrived in Dec. 1832. With him then or later was his brother-in-law, Charles Raly who had also married a Finn. They had located in Red River County near Clarksville. Then in 1836 William Washington and John Gaines Biard had come out to Texas on a prospecting trip coming all the way from Alabama to Clarksville on horseback. They were then unmarried. They went back to Limestone Co., Ala., where both married, and in 1846 they and their families moved to Texas, accompanied by a number of relatives.

Those who started together on that hazardous journey to the wilds of Texas were the following:

1. William Washington Biard and family
2. Andrew Jackson Biard and family
3. Alexander Aiken and family
4. Jack Aiken and family
5. Happy Pridemore and family
6. William Cheatham and family
   Rebecca Stone Biard

It is said that there were seven families but I do not know who the other was.

William Cheatham, Aunt Jane Skidmore's father, had married an Aiken, a sister to Alex and Jack Aiken. Alex

Aiken's wife was a sister to Wm. Washington and A. Jackson Biard. Happy Pridemore and her sister, Henrietta, were cousins to the Biards. Henrietta was Jack Aiken's wife. So it was a family party that embarked on the Tennessee River in Limestone Co., Ala., in the spring of 1846.

They procured a flatboat and loaded it with all their earthly possessions even to some chickens, cows, at least one pony and a wagon. They traveled down the Tennessee to the Ohio, down the Ohio to where it joined the Mississippi, down the Mississippi to the mouth of Red River, then up Red as far as they could go.

They were four months on the way and had some mishaps. One day one of the children, Matilda Ann Biard, tumbled off the boat into the Red River. Her brother, James, grabbed her immediately and pulled her back into the boat without any harm resulting. They would run on to a sandbar and have to stay some time before they could manage to get off. Time and again that happened. Finally they reached the mouth of Mill Creek on Red River which is near Joel Gunn's farm in Bowie County.

There they ran on to a sand bar and stayed three weeks. At last they got word of their plight to Robert Wheat and Charles Raly who were brothers-in-law to A. Jackson and Wm. Washington Biard and who lived in Clarksville. They came with wagons and carried the movers to Red River County where they stopped and made one crop. Meanwhile they sold their flat-boat, and the Biard brothers bought from Robert Wheat some land which he had selected for them and bought from the Republic of Texas, Nov. 7, 1845. That land was in Lamar County and they moved to it the following fall.

The nearest I can come to fixing the date of the trip to Texas is this: A. J. Biard buried a child in Alabama, Feb. 24, 1846, and S. H. Biard was born at Clarksville, Aug. 27, 1846. So they came between those dates.

In the year 1846 or 1847 John Gaines Biard and family and his sister, Minerva Jane Stephenson and family came from Alabama to Lamar County, Texas. Minerva Stephenson settled on that same piece of Wheat land that her brothers had but I do not know where John Gaines Biard first lived.

Not all the flat-boat party reached Lamar County, though. Happy Pridemore and her husband left the others at some place in Louisiana and made their home there. They never came to Texas. Jack and Alex Aiken and their

families stopped near Marshall, Texas, and lived and died there. It seems that Rebecca Stone Biard stopped at Marshall, too, with her daughter, Matilda Aiken, but in a year more or less she came to Lamar County for she died here Feb. 18, 1848, at the home of her daughter, Minerva Jane Stephenson.

CHAPTER VII

MATILDA BIARD

MATILDA BIARD: b. Jan. 7, 1811; d. ~~about~~ Dec.! 1853
married
ALEXANDER AIKEN: b. Dec. 3, 1807; d. Oct. 1, 1890.

Matilda Biard was the second child and oldest daughter of John Nelson Biard. She moved with her parents from Bledsoe Co., Tenn., to Limestone Co., Ala., in 1818. She came to Texas with her brothers and her family in 1846, stopping and making her home at Elysian Fields near Marshall in Harrison Co. She died in 1853 or 1854.

After her death Alex Aiken married again, a widow, Mrs. ~~Epperson~~ Jefferson, and had one child, Alex Aiken, Jr.

CHILDREN

1. REBECCA AIKEN, married a Cargile, descendant, Alex Cargile
2. MINERVA AIKEN, married a Bell
3. JOHN AIKEN
4. GAINES AIKEN: b. Nov. 17, 1839; d. Sept. 16, 1900.
5. BONAPARTE AIKEN, married Rosa ~~Epperson~~ Jefferson, his step-sister; b. 1842; d. 1876
6. FANNIE AIKEN, married a Boynton
7. JOSEPHINE AIKEN, married a Boisseau

I know very little of Aunt Matilda's children.

"Cousin Joe Boisseau" and her son, Tucker Boisseau, paid us all a long visit when I was a child. She also visited the Ed Skidmores since she was a cousin of Aunt Jane Skidmore.

My grandfather, Andrew Jackson Biard, visited them once and brought back a picture of a Cargile child.

CHAPTER VIII

WILLIAM WASHINGTON BIARD

WILLIAM WASHINGTON BIARD: b. Sept. 10, 1812; d. February 7, 1892, at Biardstown, Texas.
married, Dec. 17, 1840 in Limestone Co., Ala.
AMANDA MENIFEE FINN: b. Feb. 11, 1819; d. Jan. 7, 1899.

William Washington Biard was the second son and third child of John Nelson Biard. He moved with his parents from Bledsoe Co., Tenn., to Limestone Co. Ala., in 1818.

In 1836 he first came to Texas, coming all the way on horseback and accompanied by his brother, John Gaines Biard, and Jim Isom's father.

They seem to have stopped at Clarksville in Red River Co., and in 1838 they built the first church house ever built in that place.

Returning to Alabama he married Amanda Menifee Finn, Dec. 17, 1840. She was the sister of his brother, Andrew Jackson Biard's wife.

They were the daughters of Edward and Martha (Mullins) Finn. Edward Finn moved from North Carolina to Wilson Co., Tenn., then to Lawrence Co., Ala., where he died May 12, 1845. When he died he owned fourteen slaves and considerable other property and $4.000.00 in cash, which was divided among his eleven children. Aunt Amanda received one slave named Patsy from her father's estate.

In 1846 Wm. Washington Biard, with his household, including Patsy, came back to Texas making the trip in that flat-boat whose voyage I have already recounted.

They landed in Red River Co., near Clarksville, where he and his brother, Jackson Biard, made a crop. Meanwhile they bought from their brother-in-law, Robert S. Wheat, some land in Lamar Co., and built two cabins on it, to which they moved the following fall (1847).

His first home, made of logs as were all the early houses, stood where Antioch Church now is. His next

home was the first house built in the present village of Biardstown, which was built on his land and named for him. In all, he bought 532 acres of Robert Wheat's 1,000-acre tract. He also later bought another home north of his Wheat land and built a house where he died, Feb. 7, 1892. He was a slave owner. Besides Patsy, who died before the Civil War and was buried at Antioch, he bought another woman named Lucy. Lucy was freed by the war and afterwards lived and died on Skidmore prairie.

W. Washington Biard donated the land for Antioch Church and Cemetery in 1848. He built and operated the first gin in Biardstown in 1860. The building stood until 1927, when a heavy wind blew it down. He donated the ground for the colored church and school in Biardstown in 1883.

CHILDREN

1. JOHN WILSON BIARD: b. Oct. 31, 1841; d. Mar. 14, 1913
2. JOHEPH VIRGIL BIARD: ; d. in Civil War
3. TOLBERT FANNIN BIARD: b. Oct. 11, 1844; d. July 25, 1918
4. SAM HOUSTON BIARD: b. Aug. 27, 1846; d. ~~Dec. 13, 1914~~ Feb. 26, 1901.
5. HARRIET BIARD: b. Apr. 23, 1849
6. Wm. ANDREW BIARD: b. Jan. 3, 1851; d. Jan. 11, 1851
7. JAMES WASHINGTON BIARD: b. Aug. 9, 1852
8. QUINCEY MOORE BIARD: b. Jan. 29, 1855; d. Feb. 23, 1857
9. MATTIE BIARD: b. Dec. 28, 1857
10. CHARLES HENRY BIARD: b. May 6, 1861; d. Nov. 28, 1897

JOHN WILSON BIARD: b. Oct. 31, 1841; d. Mar. 14, 1913
married
LIZZIE HOLBROOK: b. Feb. 22

John Wilson was the oldest son of William Washington Biard. He was born in Limestone Co., Ala., but came to Texas with his parents at the age of five years. He lived in several places: Lamar and Jones Cos., Texas, Hugo, Okla., and last at Sulphur, Okla., where he died. He donated the land where the Biardstown, Texas, schoolhouse has since stood, Aug. 29, 1876. His wife was a daughter of David and Sarah Holbrook. Her parents were among the early settlers of North Texas, coming to Titus Co. from Tennessee in 1846. She was a sister to the wife of his cousin, James M. Biard.

CHILDREN

1. SARAH CAROLINE (CALLIE) BIARD: b. Aug. 1866
2. BENIE BIARD: b. 1869
3. MARY BIARD: b. Dec. 26, 1870
4. VIRGIL BIARD: b. 1873
5. WILLIAM WASHINGTON BIARD: b. Dec. 2, 1877
6. HARRY HOUSTON BIARD: b. 1882
7. JOHN HOLBROOK BIARD: b. 1880

SARAH CAROLINE (CALLIE) BIARD: b. Aug. 1866
married July 5. 1885, in Lamar Co., Texas
STERLING P. HENDRICKS: b. Nov. 30, 1861

Callie and Sterling Hendricks have lived at several places: Jones Co., Lamar Co., Texas; Hugo, and Sulphur, Okla. He was a school teacher. At present Callie and several of her children are living with her sister, Bennie, and brother, Donnie, near Sulphur, Okla.

CHILDREN

1. HARRY HENDRICKS
2. JOHN HENDRICKS
3. TINY HENDRICKS
4. LIZZIE HENDRICKS
5. LILLIE HENDRICKS
6. KRUGER HENDRICKS
7. ELBERT HENDRICKS

Lillie Hendricks died while a child. Lizzie married and died leaving one child, a girl, Sara Beth. Her mother has the child. Tiny is unmarried and lives with her mother. Kruger was born at Biardstown. He is unmarried and lives with his mother. The other three boys are married and live near Sulphur, Okla. They all have children. John's wife is named Oma.

BENIE BIARD: b. 1869;

Benie has never married. She is an "unclaimed jewel" and is a teacher in the city schools of Sulphur, Okla. She lives at her father's old home place near Sulphur.

MARY BIARD: b. Dec. 26, 1870
married
JOSEPH SHAW

Mary Shaw is the third daughter of John Wilson Biard. She lives near Sulphur, Okla.

CHILDREN

1. RUSSELL SHAW
2. VIRGIE SHAW
3. LAFE PENCE SHAW
4. BARNETT SHAW
5. MINNIEFEE SHAW
6. BENIE SHAW
7. CAROLINE SHAW
8. LESTER SHAW
9. WILLIE SHAW
10. JOE SHAW
11. DON SHAW

VIRGIL BIARD: b. 1873
married
T. M. NELSON

Virgil Nelson, youngest daughter of John Wilson Biard, lives in Sulphur. She has no children.

WILLIAM WASHINGTON BIARD: b. Dec. 2, 1877
married Oct. 17, 1906
NONA OAKES: b. May 31, 1891

Will is the oldest son of John Wilson Biard. He lives in Hugo, Okla., where he sells Buick cars and operates a bathing resort.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM CLINTON BIARD: b. Feb. 21, 1908
2. RICHARD HOLBROOK BIARD: b. Feb. 19, 1910
3. MARY ELIZABETH BIARD: b. Sept. 6, 1916

HARRY HOUSTON BIARD: b. 1882
married
1. ALICE TRAYLOR
2. MATTIE BLANKENSHIP

Harry House lives in Hugo and is a fireman on the Frisco Railroad. He has three children by his first wife:

CHILDREN

1. FLOYD BIARD
2. DOUGLAS BIARD
3. MILDRED BIARD

JOHN HOLBROOK BIARD: b. 1880

"Donny" Biard is an Educator. He has never married. When he is not away teaching he lives with his sister, Bennie, at Sulphur, Okla.

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JOSEPH VIRGIL BIARD: d. in Civil War

Joe Biard was the second son of William Washington Biard (b. 1812). He was never married and lost his life in the Civil War. He was last heard of at the Battle of Corinth.

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TOLBERT FANNING BIARD: b. Oct. 11, 1844; d. July 25, 1918
married Sept. 3, 1866, Biardstown by Albert Shotwell
MARY LILLIAN JOHNSON: b. May 15, 1847; d. April 23, 1912

Tolbert or "Tob" was the third of William Washington Biard. He was born in Limestone Co., Ala., reared and

married at Biardstown, Texas. Later, he lived in Paris, where he ran a hotel for several years, and at Grant, Okla. He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Kenney at Nash, but was buried at Grant beside his wife. She was a daughter of Dr. Alex Johnson, who was the first physician to locate at Biardstown. She was born at Decatur, Ga.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM WASHINGTON BIARD: b. July 20. 1867
2. AMANDA MINNIEFEE BIARD: b. Dec. 6, 1868
3. ALEXANDER JOHNSON BIARD: b. Dec. 8, 1870
4. JAMES QUINCEY BIARD: b. Sept. 13, 1873; d. in infancy
5. CLAUD CLARENCE BIARD: b. June 25, 1875
6. MATTIE GERTRUDE BIARD: b. Jan. 22, 1877

WILLIAM WASHINGTON BIARD: b. July 20, 1867
married Jan. 22, 1899 at Dallas, Texas
ANNIE MAY DAWKINS: b. Dallas, Tex., July 13, 1870

William Washington or "Willie" Biard, the oldest child of T. F. Biard, was born at Biardstown, lives in Kaufman, Texas, where he has been a leading merchant for many years.

CHILD

1. LILLIAN LEE BIARD: b. Feb. 13, 1900 at Kaufman

AMANDA MINNIEFEE BIARD: b. Dec. 6, 1868
married Feb. 6, 1903, at Paris, Texas
JAMES KENNEY: b. Dec. 2, 1855; d. Mar. 30, 1922

"Minnie," the oldest daughter of T. F. Biard, was born at Biardstown. She was a school teacher before her marriage. Since then she has lived at Nash, Texas, where she has been postmistress since her husband's death. He was a native of Franklin Parish, La., and died at Nash, Texas.

CHILD

1. JAMES TOLBERT KENNEY: b. June 13, 1908 at Nash, Texas

ALEXANDER JOHNSON BIARD: b. Dec. 8, 1870
married Nov. 18, 1896, at Kaufman, Texas
MAY NICHOLS: b. July 24, 1874, at Kaufman

"Alex" Biard, second son of T. F. Biard, was born at Biardstown. He lives in Dallas where he is auditor of the T. & P. Railroad.

CHILDREN

1. HAL KIRK BIARD: b. Aug. 28, 1897, at Dallas, Texas
2. MAY BETH BIARD: b. June 25, 1908

HAL KIRK BIARD: b. Aug. 28, 1897
married March 28, 1925, at Palestine
HELEN JOHNSON: b. June 19, 1906

Hal Kirk, the only son of Alex Biard, was born and lives in Dallas.

CHILD

1. HAL KIRK BIARD, Jr.: b. Aug. 23, 1926, at Dallas, Texas

CLAUDE CLARENCE BIARD: b. June 25, 1875
married May 12, 1914, at Durant, Okla., by Rev. E. Hotchkins
TOMMIE COLLINS: b. Aug. 3, 1887

Claude, the youngest son of T. F. Biard, was born at Biardstown, Tex., but has lived for many years at Grant, Okla., where he is druggist and postmaster.

CHILDREN

1. MARY LILLIAN BIARD: b. Sept. 11, 1917
2. MOSELLE FRANCES BIARD: b. Feb. 18, 1919
3. CLAUDE COLLINS BIARD: b. March 1, 1921

MATTIE GERTRUDE BIARD: b. Jan. 22, 1877
married August 16, 1907
CHARLIE SWITZER; b. July 20, 1876

Mattie Switzer, the youngest child of T. F. Biard, was born at Biardstown, Tex. Her husband was born in New York City. They now live in Hugo, Okla., where Mr. Switzer is a druggist.

CHILD

1. FRED DUNBAR SWITZER: b. Sept. 19, 1908, Ft. Towson, Okla.

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SAM HOUSTON BIARD: b. Aug. 27, 1846; d. Feb. 26, 1901
married June 27, 1867, at Biardstown by Jas. M. Biard
LULA ELIZABETH OLIVER JOHNSON: b. June 26, 1849; died Aug. 25, 1907

Sam Houston or "Huse" Biard was the fourth son of Wm. Washington Biard (b. 1812). He was born in Red River Co., Texas, near Clarksville, was reared at Biardstown, where he lived for many years, and where all the children except Albert were born. At Biardstown he was a farmer and ginner. He moved to Jones Co., and later to Detroit, Texas, where he died.

His wife, who was a sister to his brother Tob's wife, was born in Decatur, Georgia.

CHILDREN

1. JOSEPH VIRGIL BIARD: b. Oct. 13, 1868
2. LILLIE OLIVER BIARD: b. April 4, 1871
3. MOLLIE AMANDA BIARD: b. July 28, 1873
4. WASHINGTON ALEXANDER BIARD: b. July 28, 1876
5. LEE PRICE BIARD: b. Mar. 3, 1879
6. WILLIE CLARENCE BIARD: b. July 16, 1882; d. in childhood
7. KATHERINE LOUISE BIARD: b. Dec. 11, 1885
8. ALBERT JOHNSON BIARD: b. Dec. 15, 1888

JOSEPH VIRGIL BIARD: b. Oct. 13, 1868
married in 1892
BERTA ROLAND

Joe Biard is the oldest child of Sam Houston Biard. He was born and reared at Biardstown. His wife, who died many years ago, was a Lamar Co. girl.

CHILDREN

1. HATTIE LOUISE BIARD
2. JOSEPHINE BIARD
3. MILDRED BIARD

All the children are dead.

Louise married a Bowler and died leaving one child, a son, named Bertie Bowler.

LILLIE OLIVER BIARD: b. April 4, 1871
married in 1906
WILLIAM W. WILSON

"Ollie" is the oldest daughter of S. H. Biard. She taught school in Oklahoma and married a wealthy Indian of Ft. Towson. He has been dead several years.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM WARD WILSON
2. OLLIE JANE WILSON

MOLLIE AMANDA BIARD: b. July 28, 1873

Mollie, the second daughter of S. H. Biard, has never married. She now lives at Ft. Towson.

WASHINGTON ALEXANDER BIARD: b. July 28, 1876
married in 1899
MAUD HANNA

Wash Alex died several years ago in Waxahachie, where he was in the oil mill business.

CHILDREN

1. SAM HANNA BIARD
2. NANCY LOUISE BIARD
3. JOHN BIARD

LEE PRICE BIARD: b. March 3, 1879 ; d. June 21, 1929
married in 1906
TORU SANSING

Lee is the third son of S. H. Biard. His wife is the daughter of Ruffin and Dora (Campbell) Sansing of Blossom. They are now living at Plainview, Texas, where Lee is in the automobile business.

CHILDREN

1. RUFFIN BIARD
2. MAXINE BIARD (dead)

KATHERINE LOUISE BIARD: b. Dec. 11, 1885
married in 1907
J. L. GARDNER

Katherine is the youngest daughter of S. H. Biard.

CHILDREN

1. ROBERT HOUSTON GARDNER
2. LULA GARDNER
3. JAMES LOWERY GARDNER
4. FRANK GARDNER

ALBERT JOHNSON BIARD: b. Dec. 15, 1888
married in 1910
ODRA CARTER

Albert is the youngest son of S. Houston Biard. He is now living at Plainview, Texas.

CHILD

1. HOUSTON BIARD

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HARRIET BIARD: b. April 23, 1849
married Jan. 1, 1870, by C. H. Appling at Biardstown
SAM HOUSTON POTEET: b. Feb. 6, 1845, at Biardstown ; d. 19

"Hattie" Poteet is the older daughter of Wm. Washington Biard. She lived in Biardstown until her marriage. Since then she has lived at Chico, Texas, and Snyder, Okla. She now lives in Paris.

CHILDREN

1. NANCY KATHRYN POTEET: b. Dec. 24, 1870
2. ALBERT WASHINGTON POTEET: b. Mar. 26, 1872
3. MATTIE HESTER POTEET: b. Jan. 16, 1874
4. WALTER BIARD POTEET: b. Jan. 22, 1876
5. MINNIE SUE POTEET: b. Oct. 17, 1877

6. CHARLES HENRY POTEET: b. Oct. 26, 1881
7. DAISY PARALEE POTEET: b. June 17, 1884
8. MYRTLE MAY POTEET: b. Jan. 29, 1887
9. BARTON WILLIAM POTEET: b. Aug. 30, 1890

NANCY KATHRYN POTEET: b. Dec. 24, 1870
married Nov. 25, 1890
WILLIAM O. STALLINGS: b. May 21, 1868

"Katy" and Will Stallings live in Clovis, New Mexico. They have two children. Both are married. One lives in Seattle, Wash. One is named Adrienne.

DAISY PARALEE POTEET: b. June 17, 1884
married , 1904
REX LINDSAY: b. April 26, 1884

Daisy and Rex have spent most of their married life in Paris. Rex is a traveling salesman.

CHILD

1. JACK MORRIS LINDSAY: b. Sept. 12, 1905

Mattie Hester Poteet married in 1899 and has lived in Chico, Texas, since.

Myrtle married a Mr. Scarborough and lives in Wichita Falls. She has two children.

Barton W. is married, has one child and lives in Wichita Falls, Texas.

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JAMES WASHINGTON BIARD: b. Aug. 9, 1852
married in Oxford, Miss.
MARGARET LILLIAN SAUNDERS: b. July 19, 1864

James Washington or "Busty" Biard was next to the youngest of the sons of Wm. Washington Biard who reached maturity. He was born, reared and lived at Biardstown until 1898 when he moved to Paris, where he still resides. His wife is a daughter of James W. Saunders of Oxford, Miss. "Busty" met her while she was visiting in Lamar Co., Texas, but went to her home in Mississippi to marry.

CHILDREN

1. FINN M. BIARD: b. Aug. 24, 1888; d. Feb. 3, 1900
2. DUDLEY BIARD: b. Feb. 18, 1890
3. CORINNE BIARD: b. March 16, 1892
4. RAPHAEL SEMMES BIARD: b. July 19, 1894
5. WASHINGTON SAUNDERS (TEDDY) BIARD: b. June 3, 1896

6. MARGARET BIARD: b. July 9. 1900
7. REBEKAH BIARD: b. Mar. 31, 1902

Finn M. Biard was accidentally shot and killed by a playmate with a target rifle at his home in Paris. He was buried at Antioch Cemetery near Biardstown.

DUDLEY BIARD: b. Feb. 18, 1890
married
ELENITA KIRKPATRICK

Dudley is the oldest living child of J. W. (Busty) Biard. He was born at Biardstown, reared and married in Paris and now lives in Dallas, Texas.

CHILDREN

1. ELENITA BIARD: b. , 1919
2. ROSALIE BIARD
3. MARGARET LILLIAN BIARD

CORINNE BIARD: b. Mar. 16, 1892
married 1917
DAVID MONROE MEEKS

Corinne Meeks is the oldest daughter of "Busty" Biard. She and her husband live at Dyersburg, Tenn., where he is engaged in the jewelry business. They have no children.

RAPHAEL SEMMES BIARD: b. July 19, 1894
married June 5, 1923
ALICE HERNDON: b. Feb. 2, 1897

Raphael or "Rafe" Biard is the second living son of J. W. (Busty) Biard. He was born at Biardstown and reared in Paris. He served in the A. E. F. in France during the World War. He lives in Hugo, Okla.

CHILD

1. JAMES HERNDON BIARD: b. Jan. 27, 1927

W. S. (TEDDY) BIARD: b. June 3, 1896
married 1922
MARGARET BEAN

Teddy is the youngest son of "Busty" Biard. He was born at Biardstown, but reared at Paris, where he still lives. He is a ginner and ex-County Commissioner of Lamar Co. He also served in France in 1918.

CHILD

1. MILTON JAMES BIARD: b. Aug. 24, 1923

MARGARET BIARD: b. July 9, 1900
married April 26, 1926 in Paris
WALTER QUINCEY GRISSOM

Margaret Grissom is the "middle" daughter of "Busty" Biard. She is a trained nurse. She and her husband live at Harlingen, Texas.

REBEKAH BIARD: b. Mar. 31, 1902
married April , 1923
EDWARD BAKER HERRING

Rebekah Herring is the youngest child of "Busty" Biard. She lives in Texarkana.

CHILD

1. JEAN LILLIAN HERRING: b. Jan. 17, 1924

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MATTIE BIARD: b. Dec. 29, 1857

Mattie is the youngest daughter of William Washington Biard. She has never married. She and her sister, Hattie Poteet, and husband live together in Paris.

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CHARLES HENRY BIARD: b. May 6, 1861; d. Nov. 28, 1897
married Dec. 21, 1893, at Glory by "Cal" Cross
ELLA McHAM: b. March 29, 1867

"Charley" Biard was the youngest child of Wm. Washington Biard. He was a farmer and spent his life at Biardstown, Texas.

CHILDREN

1. LILLIAN MABEL BIARD: b. April 15, 1895; d. Sept. 8, 1897
2. CHARLES HENRY BIARD: b. Nov. 21, 1896
3. MARY AMANDA BIARD: b. Nov. 21, 1896

Charlie and Mary Biard Duncan are twins. Charlie hasn't married yet. He lives in Biardstown and clerks in a store. His mother lives with him.

MARY AMANDA BIARD: b. Nov. 21, 1896
married Dec. 31, 1921, at Biardstown, Texas
J. WILLIAM DUNCAN: b. Feb. 19, 1885

Mary and Bill Duncan live on his father's home farm.

CHILDREN

1. LILLIAN RUTH DUNCAN: b. Feb. 19, 1923
2. J. W. DUNCAN, Jr.: b. July 24, 1925
3. MARTHA ELLEN DUNCAN: b. Sept. 25, 1927

CHAPTER IX

ANDREW JACKSON BIARD

ANDREW JACKSON BIARD: b. Sept. 10, 1814; d. June 14, 1902
married Dec. 23, 1833, in Limestone Co., Ala.
DELILAH FINN; b. Sept. 2, 1809; d. Aug. 12, 1887

Andrew Jackson, or "Jackson" Biard, was the fourth child and third son of John Nelson Biard. He was the grandfather of the writer. He was born in Bledsoe Co., Tenn., but moved with his parents to Limestone Co., Ala., when he was four years old. There he grew to manhood and was married to Delilah, daughter of Edward and Martha Finn. His wife was a sister to Amanda Finn, whom later his brother, Wm. Washington Biard, married. Delilah Finn was born in Wilson Co., Tenn., but moved to Alabama with her parents. In 1845 her father died, leaving considerable property for the times, including fourteen slaves and $4.000.00. The property and slaves were divided among the eleven heirs, Delilah getting a young negro girl named Amanda, in her part.

After that division they began to prepare to come to Texas. Robert S. Wheat, who had married Elizabeth Finn, a sister of Delilah, had already settled in Red River Co. They got him to select and buy from the State of Texas a suitable piece of land for a home. He selected a 1,000-acre tract in what was then Red River Co., but what is now Lamar Co. The "patent" to that piece of land is dated Nov. 7, 1845.

But sickness intervened and they buried two little girls before they started. Little Martha Elizabeth, aged three years, died Aug. 8, 1845. Little Julia Texana, named for the Texas to which they were moving, was born Oct. 16, 1845. She was a sickly child and lived only four months, dying Feb. 24, 1846.

In the spring of 1846 they were all ready to start to Texas. Andrew Jackson and his family embarked with his brothers, sisters, cousins, neighbors, husbands, wives and children, on that flat-boat whose journey I have already recorded. They brought with them all that they possessed: furniture, food, chickens, cows, a pony and their slaves. Delilah Biard brought a teapot which I now own, which

has pink rosebuds on it, and a four-poster bedstead which was afterwards made into four walking sticks, one for each of their four living children.

They finally reached Red River Co., Texas, where Andrew Jackson Biard and his brother, Wm. Washington Biard stopped and made one crop. They had been four months on the way. Robert S. Wheat made them a deed to the land (Andrew Jackson's part being 250 acres, price $500.00), on Oct. 6, 1846. In the summer of 1847 they came and built two cabins on the land and that fall moved to them. Anderw Jackson Biard spent the remainder of his life on that farm. He served as Justice of the Peace and acquired considerable property.

He was a charter member of the First Christian Church organized in Limestone Co., Ala., coming from the Baptist Church in 1833, and being baptized by Alexander Campbell himself as were all the other members of the family. The name of that church is Old Reunion. He helped to organize the church at Antioch in Lamar Co., Texas, in 1848, and was an influential member until his death in 1902.

CHILDREN

1 JAMES MONROE BIARD: b. Oct. 24, 1834; d. May 5, 1901
2. JOHN WASHINGTON CANNON BIARD: b. Oct. 8, 1836; d. 1862
3. WILLIAM GABRIEL BIARD: b. Oct. 14, 1838; d. Oct. 28, 1902
4. PLEASANT CARROLL KENDRICK BIARD: b. Oct. 1, 1840; d. Jan. 27, 1882
5. MARTHA JANE ELIZABETH BIARD: b. May 23, 1842; d. Aug. 8, 1845
6. MATILDA ANN LAVINIA BIARD: b. Jan. 14, 1844
7. JULIA TEXANA BIARD: b. Oct. 16, 1845; d. Feb. 24, 1846
8. THOMAS JEFFERSON BIARD: b. Jan. 20, 1850; d. Mar. 25, 1922

Martha Jane Elizabeth and Julia Texana died in infancy.

Pleasant Carroll Kendrick was feeble-minded and was always a great care to his mother. He was forty-two years old when he died. She outlived him only five years. He was born in Alabama, died in Texas.

JAMES MONROE BIARD: b. Oct. 24, 1834; d. May 5, 1901
married Jan. 10, 1858
MARY HOLBROOK; b. May 22, 1839; d. Jan. 13, 1927

James Monroe Biard was the oldest son of Andrew Jackson Biard. He was born in Limestone Co., Ala., but came to Lamar Co., Texas, with his parents in 1846 at the

age of twelve years. He was the one who rescued his sister, Matilda Ann, age two, when she fell off the flat-boat into the Red River on the journey to Texas. He married Mary, daughter of David and Sarah Holbrook, old settlers of Titus Co., coming there in 1846 from Tennessee. She had a younger sister, Lizzie, whom later John Wilson Biard married. James M. Biard was a farmer and a preacher. He served one term in the State Legislature. As a preacher he was widely known. He lived at Biardstown, Bonham, Whitewright, Temple and Paris, where he died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. R. Wood.

CHILDREN

1. DAVID ANDREW BIARD: b. Nov. 28, 1858; d. Dec. 6, 1909
2. CARTHAGENIA BIARD: b. May 30, 1860
3. SARAH DELILA (SALLIE) BIARD: b. May 16, 1864
4. JAMES ROBERT BIARD: b. July 24, 1872; d. Aug. 5, 1919
5. JOHN WILLIE THOMAS BIARD: b. Jan. 25, 1875

DAVID ANDREW BIARD: b. Nov. 28, 1858; d. Dec. 6, 1909
married Oct. 26, 1883 at Bonham, Texas
MATTIE ABERNATHY
married Jan. 1899, in Cooper
JENNIE GARDNER

David Biard was the oldest child of James M. Biard. He was born and reared at Biardstown, but spent the years of his manhood at Bonham. He was a farmer and produce dealer. He had three children by his first wife and one by his second.

CHILDREN

1. BELLE BIARD
2. JACK BIARD
3. MAIZIE BIARD: died in childhood
4. VIRGINIA BIARD

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BELLE BIARD
married
JOE GOBER

CARTHAGENIA BIARD: b. May 30, 1860
married Aug. 4, 1886 at Biardstown by Jas. M. Biard
WILLIAM RICHARD WOOD: b. Nov. 16, 1858; d. Oct. 13, 1920

Cartha Wood is the oldest daughter of Jas. M. Biard; was a teacher before her marriage. Mr. Wood was a native Texan, his father, Thomas J. Wood, and mother, Martha Brame Wood, coming here from Kentucky in 1855. He died in Lamar Co., in 1877.

William Richard Wood was a prominent man of Lamar Co. He served three terms as District Clerk and at his death was President of the American National Bank of Paris, Texas. They spent all their married life in Paris and were leaders of the Christian Church.

CHILDREN

1. MARY LILLIAN WOOD: b. June 27, 1887
2. JAMES JEFFERSON WOOD: b. Jan. 28, 1889
3. WILLIAM RICHARD WOOD Jr.: b. Nov. 15, 1893
4. EVANS BIARD WOOD: b. Nov. 14, 1898
5. LAWRENCE EDWARD WOOD: b. Oct. 13, 1900

MARY LILLIAN WOOD: b. June 27, 1887
married Dec. 29, 1909, at Paris, Texas
LONNIE FORD: b. Paris, Texas

Mary, the oldest child of Cartha Wood, was born, reared and married in Paris, Texas, where all her children also were born. She now lives in New Orleans. She has four children, two girls, two boys.

CHILDREN

1. MARY ELIZABETH FORD
2. DOROTHY FORD
3.
4.

JAMES JEFFERSON WOOD: b. Jan. 28, 1889
married June 14, 1916
RACHEL McDOWELL of McKinney, Texas

Jeff Wood is the oldest son of Cartha Wood. He was born and reared in Paris, but now lives in New Orleans. They have two sons.

WILLIAM RICHARD WOOD, Jr.: b. Nov. 15, 1893
married in Paris, Texas, Aug. 23, 1916
JANE CONNOR

Richard or "Dick" Wood is the second son of Cartha Wood. He lives in Paris, Texas, and has three children.

CHILDREN

1. ELLA JANE WOOD
2. IRMA ANNE WOOD
3. MARY CONNOR WOOD

SARAH DELILAH (SALLIE) BIARD: b. May 16, 1864
married May 30, 1888, at Biardstown, Texas, by J. M. Biard
ASHLEY EVANS

Sallie Biard is the second daughter of Jas. M. Biard. She married a newspaper man of Bonham, Texas, and has lived there since her marriage. Ashley Evans is the son of Judge W. A. Evans who came to Texas in 1857 from Morgantown, Ky., and located at Bonham, Texas.

They have one child.

CHILD

1. ALLEN EVANS: b. June 15, 1889

ALLEN EVANS: b. June 15, 1889, in Dallas, Texas
married in Dallas, Texas
GRACE PIERCE

JAMES ROBERT BIARD: b. July 24, 1872; d. Aug. 5, 1919
married Nov. 1896, in Bonham, Texas
LOLA TRUSS

"'Jim Robert" Biard was the second son of James M. Biard. He was born and reared at Biardstown, but married a Bonham girl. He was a farmer and Christian preacher. He lived at Bonham, Biardstown and Hugo, Okla. He was living in Oklahoma when he died.

CHILD

HARRELL BIARD: b. April 16, 1900
married
LOUISE.....

Harrell Biard is the only child of James Robert Biard. He is married and lives in Poteau, Okla.

JOHN WILLIE BIARD: b. Jan. 25, 1875
married Jan. 5, 1898, in Lamar Co.
EDNA BRADEN

John Willie Biard is the youngest son of James Monroe Biard. He was born at Biardstown, but now lives in Paris, Texas. He is a farmer and since moving to Paris in 1921 has been a peace officer. His wife is the daughter of C. C. Braden, a well known farmer of the county, who came here in 1865.

CHILDREN

1. MARY BELLE BIARD: b. Mar. 31, 1899
2. JAMES C. BIARD: b. Nov. 9, 1900
3. JACK BIARD: b. April, 1908
4. JOHN WILLIE BIARD, Jr.: b. Sept. 6, 1915

MARY BELLE BIARD: b. March 31, 1899
married in Paris
BILL ABSHIRE

Mary Belle Abshire is the only daughter of John Willie Biard. She lives in Paris, where her husband owns a grocery store. She was born and reared at Biardstown and taught school before she married.

JAMES C. BIARD: b. Nov. 9, 1900
married in Paris, Nov. 9, 1925
MARY RUTH BILLS: b. April 1, 1905

James is the oldest son of John Willie Biard. He was born and reared at Biardstown, but now lives in Paris.

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JOHN WASHINGTON CANNON BIARD: b. Oct. 8, 1836

Died in Civil War, in 1862, probably at Corinth, Miss.

John W. C. Biard was the second child of Andrew Jackson Biard. He was born in Limestone Co., Ala., but came to Texas with his parents when he was ten years old.

When the Civil War came up he was 25 years old. He joined Sims' Regiment, Texas. It seems that he left home as a cavalryman, at least, he rode horseback to Van Buren, Ark. There his company was set "afoot" and he sent his horse and pistols home by Lafayette Means. From Van Buren they went by water to Memphis, Tenn., from which place he wrote his last letter home. He passionately desired to live to get home but was resolved to do his duty. His people had three letters from him after he left home. The first was written at Van Buren, Ark., March 16, 1862; another from some place in Arkansas, April 13, 1862, and the last from Memphis, Tenn., April 22, 1862.

John Washington Biard's father made several trips back to the battle area after the war trying to locate his son. He finally learned that he was wounded and captured at the battle of Corinth, Miss. He was last seen by a comrade as he was placed on a train to be carried north to the prison. It was learned that the train which bore him north was wrecked and the car in which he was riding was burned.

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WILLIAM GABRIEL BIARD: b. Oct. 14, 1838; d. Oct. 28, 1902
married Dec. 7, 1859
SARAH ROACH: b. ; d. May 1, 1925

William Gabriel Biard was the third child of Andrew Jackson Biard. He was born in Limestone Co., Ala., but came to Lamar Co., Texas, with his parents at the age of eight years. He was named for William and Gabriel Finn, two brothers of his grandfather, Edward Finn.

W. G. Biard served on the Confederate side in the Civil War. After the war he spent the rest of his life on the farm near Biardstown which his father had given him, though he bought other land also.

CHILDREN

1. JAMES MATTHEW STEPHEN BIARD: b. Mar. 2, 1861
2. MARY ANN DELILAH BIARD: b. Feb. 1863; d. Jan. 29, 1910
3. SUSAN ALICE BIARD: b. Aug. 19, 1865
4. JOHN ABNER BIARD: b. Sept. 23, 1868
5. WILLIAM THOMAS BIARD: b. Jan. 14, 1871
6. LUCINDA ELLEN BIARD: b. June 13, 1873

JAMES MATTHEW STEPHEN BIARD: b. March 2, 1861
married Dec. 18, 1898 at Minter, Texas
MAGGIE ARCHER: b. May 8, 1880

Steven Biard is the oldest son of W. G. Biard. He is a farmer and was born, reared and married in Lamar Co., Texas, but now lives at Pampa in Gray Co.

CHILDREN

1. HELEN MARGUERITE BIARD: b. June 25, 1900
2. WILLIAM JASPER BIARD: b. Sept. 12, 1901
3. CLINTON JACKSON BIARD: b. Mar. 17, 1908; d. Dec. 10, 1912
4. EDNA JOSEPHINE BIARD: b. Aug. 22, 1910

Clinton Jackson died in childhood. None of the other children have married. All live at home with their parents.

MARY ANN DELILAH BIARD: b. Feb. 25, 1863; d. Jan. 29, 1910
married at Biardstown, Dec. 13, 1882
WILLIAM E. SKIDMORE: b. Nov. 1, 1852; d. Sept. 22, 1922

Mary Ann Skidmore was the oldest daughter of W. G. Biard. She was born, reared and married at Biardstown, Lamar Co., Texas. Her husband was a farmer, the oldest son of "Squire" Ed Skidmore of Biardstown. They moved to Bowie Co., Texas, where both died.

CHILDREN

1. BETTY A. SKIDMORE: b. Sept. 15, 1883
2. WILLIAM EDWARD SKIDMORE: b. Oct. 10, 1885
3. T. JEFFERSON SKIDMORE: b. Feb. 21, 1892
4. DREW SKIDMORE: b. June 29, 1898
5. DEE T. SKIDMORE: b. May 12, 1901
6. VERLIE ANN SKIDMORE: b. July 24, 1904

BETTY A. SKIDMORE: b. Sept. 15, 1883
married Dec. 25, 1903
WILLIAM J. SIDES

Bettie Sides was born, reared and married at Biardstown.

CHILDREN

1. EMMA INEZ SIDES (dead)
2. MARY LOU AVERIL SIDES
3. WILLIAM E. SIDES
4. JANIE ALGERINE SIDES
5. LYDIA BELL SIDES

WILLIAM EDWARD SKIDMORE: b. Oct. 10, 1885
married Dec. 28, 1904
LAURA BROWN

"Ed" Skidmore was born at Biardstown.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIE E. SKIDMORE
2. ORVILLE SKIDMORE (Dead)
3. MAUDIE LEE SKIDMORE

THOMAS JEFFERSON SKIDMORE: b. Feb. 21, 1892
married Jan. 5, 1919
AMY NEAT

Jeff Skidmore was born at Biardstown, moved to Bowie Co., where he now lives.

CHILDREN

1. BONNIE GENEVA SKIDMORE
2. JAMES EDWARD SKIDMORE
3. MILDRED MURIEL SKIDMORE

DEE T. SKIDMORE: b. May 12, 1901
married Nov. 8, 1924
EVA ORBRA CHASTEEN

Dee Skidmore was born at Biardstown, but now lives in Bowie Co.

CHILD

1. HAROLD DEE SKIDMORE

Verlie and Drew Skidmore have not married. They live together at their parents' old home in Bowie Co., where Verlie was born. Drew was born at Biardstown, Lamar Co.

Susan Alice, John Abner and Lucinda Ellen Biard, children of William G. and Sarah Roach Biard, have never married. They live together at their home in Biardstown, where Abner runs a woodshop, garage and filling station with his partner, W. J. Johnson.

WILLIAM THOMAS BIARD: b. Jan. 14, 1871
married Dec. 4, 1898, at Sumner, Texas
LILLIE HALTOM: b. April 27, 1882

Tom Biard is the youngest son of William G. Biard. He has spent his life near Biardstown on the farm.

CHILDREN

1. ROY JACKSON BIARD: b. Dec. 21, 1900
2. ROSA LEE BIARD: b. Jan. 16, 1903
3. FLORA BIARD: b. Feb. 2, 1905
4. EDWARD A. BIARD: b. May 23, 1907
5. THELMA BIARD: b. June 24, 1909
6. PEARL BIARD: b. Oct. 14, 1911
7. ELLIE MAY BIARD: b. Jan. 26, 1914
8. WILLIAM THOMAS BIARD, Jr.: b. Dec. 31, 1918

ROY JACKSON BIARD: b. Dec. 21, 1900
married July 3, 1921
EDITH LEE INGRAM: b. April 20, 1901

Roy is the oldest child of W. Thomas Biard. He has spent his life in Lamar Co. He married a daughter of Bob Ingram, a farmer of Lamar Co.

ROSA LEE BIARD: b. Jan. 16, 1903
married Sept. 30,_____
LON FENDLEY

They live in Arkansas and have one child.

1. SARAH HELEN FENDLEY

THELMA BIARD: b. June 24, 1909
married
LAWSON HILL

Thelma Hill is the third daughter of W. Thomas Biard. She lives in Lamar Co., and has one child.

PEARL BIARD: b. Oct. 14, 1911
married Aug. 13, 1927
ROBERT MUNSEY (BOB) WOMACK

Pearl is the fourth daughter of Wm. Thomas Biard. She has spent her life in Lamar Co. Her husband is a Christian preacher and farmer.

W. T. Biard's other children are at home unmarried.

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MATILDA ANN LAVINIA BIARD: b. Jan. 14, 1844
married Feb. 18, 1869, at Biardstown.
DANIEL WINBURN WALKER: b. March 4, 1840; d. Jan. 26, 1912

This lady is "Aunt Sis" to her relatives. She is the only daughter of Andrew Jackson Biard, who lived to maturity. Her husband was a veteran of the Civil War, fighting on the Confederate side. He was a cousin of her brother, James M. Biard's wife. She was born in Limestone Co., Ala., came to Texas with her parents at the age of two years. She was reared, married and lived until her husband's death at Biardstown and Charleston, Texas. Since then she has made her home with her children at Deport, DeKalb, Austin, Texas, and DeQueen, Ark.

CHILDREN

1. BESSIE WALKER: b. Sept. 4, 1879
2. JACK WALKER: b. Jan. 26, 1884

MATTIE AMELIA ELIZABETH or BESSIE WALKER: b. Sept. 4, 1879
married Jan. 14, 1902
JOEL ELISHA GUNN: b. May 30, 1874

Bessie Gunn is the only daughter of Mrs. D. W. Walker. She was born, reared and married at Biardstown and educated at Charleston, Texas. Her husband is the son of Capt. W. T. Gunn, a prominent man of Lamar Co. He is a farmer and ginner. They have lived at Sulphur Bluff, Biardstown, Deport, DeKalb, and Austin, where they are now living.

CHILDREN

1. MATILDA GUNN: b. Nov. 6, 1902 at Sulphur Bluff
2. WILLIAM THOMAS GUNN: b. Feb. 24, 1904
3. DANIEL WALKER GUNN: b. May 19, 1905, at Biardstown
3. JOEL ELISHA GUNN: b. April 28, 1908, at Biardstown
5. BESSIE GUNN: b. July 2, 1914, at Biardstown
6. CORDELIA GUNN: b. Feb. 26, 1917, at Deport

MATILDA GUNN: b. Nov. 6, 1902

Matilda is a Home Demonstration Agent in Haskell Co. She has a B. S. degree from the State University at Austin.

WILLIAM THOMAS GUNN: b. Feb. 24, 1904
married April 8, 1928 at Vancouver, Wash.
RUTH NELSON

"Bill" Gunn, the oldest son of Joel and Bessie Gunn, was born at Biardstown, reared at Biardstown and Deport, and educated at Austin in the University of Texas. He met his wife at Austin, where they were fellow students and went to her home in Washington and married there. They are at present living in Portland, Oregon.

JACK ANDREW WALKER: b. Jan. 26, 1884
married at Detroit, Texas
ADDIE SHARPE
married July 8, 1924 at Conway, Ark.
LDA MAY AUSTIN: b. April 17, 1898

Jack Walker is the only son of Mrs. D. W. Walker. He was born and reared at Biardstown. He is a land owner and farmer and now lives in Anson, Jones Co., Texas. He had one child by his first wife. They separated, she keeping the child.

CHILDREN

1. JAMES RICHARD WALKER: b. Dec. 10, 1921, at Paris, Texas
2. JACK ANDREW WALKER Jr.: b. in Dallas, April 24, 1925
3. DAN AUSTIN WALKER: b. in Austin, Aug. 11, 1926

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THOMAS JEFFERSON BIARD: b. Jan. 20, 1850; d. March 25, 1922
married Feb. 4, 1872, by J. M. Biard, in Hopkins Co.
NANNIE CROWDER: b. April 16, 1854; d. July 19, 1923

Thomas Jefferson or "Tom" Biard was the youngest child of Andrew Jackson Biard and the only one of his children to be born in Texas. He was born where A. J. Biard settled when he first came to Lamar Co. Tom Biard lived there nearly all his life. In 1905 he moved to Roxton, Texas, and lived there two years. He then came back to his farm and stayed there until 1920 when he moved to Biardstown, where he died two years later.

He was the father of the writer of this genealogy.

His wife was the daughter of Judge G. H. Crowder, an

old settler. He first came to Texas in 1837 with his mother. He was Ex-County Judge of Hopkins Co., Texas, and a Confederate Veteran.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM WINBURN BIARD: b. Nov. 9, 1872
2. MAUD BIARD: b. Jan. 21, 1874
3. ANDREW CROWDER BIARD: b. Mar. 24, 1876
4. DELILAH VIRGINIA BIARD: b. July 19, 1878
5. HAROLD BIARD: b. Dec. 7, 1880; d. Aug. 16, 1896
6. HOWARD BIARD: b. June 26, 1886; d. Sept. 29, 1889
7. MARY ELIZABETH BIARD: b. Aug. 5, 1890

WILLAM WINBURN BIARD: b. Nov. 9, 1872
married July 26, 1896, at Biardstown
MATTIE LINDSAY: b. Oct. 20, 1879

William Winburn or "Win" Biard is the oldest child of Thomas Jefferson Biard. He was born, reared, and married at Biardstown, but has been living in Paris since 1901 where he is in the grocery business.

CHILDREN

1. MONA BIARD: died in childhood
2. PHILIP BIARD: b. April 19, 1902

PHILIP BIARD: b. April 19, 1902
married
CATHARINE REED: b. Jan. 27, 1904

Philip Biard is the only child of Winburn Biard. He is quite a musician. He plays the cornet and makes records for the Edison people. He was born and reared in Paris, Texas, but married and now lives in Newark, N. J.

CHILD

1. PHYLLIS BIARD, born and died July 26, 1926

MAUD BIARD: b. Jan. 21, 1874
married May 13, 1894, at Biardstown, by J. M. Biard.
LEE SMITH: b. Nov. 24, 1866

Maud Smith is the writer of this genealogy. I am the oldest daughter of Thomas Jefferson Biard. I was born and reared at the home my grandfather settled when he came to Texas in 1846. I now own that old home. I married a merchant of Biardstown. He is still in business here. The only time I ever moved was when I left my father's home for my husband's. I was educated in the rural school at Biardstown. I have a Teacher's Permanent Certificate and taught in the rural schools of Lamar Co. three years before I married and taught four more terms from 1921 to 1926.

CHILDREN

1. TONY SMITH: b. Feb. 21, 1895
2. FREDERICK BIARD SMITH: b. May 10, 1902

TONY SMITH: b. Feb. 21, 1895
married Oct. 30, 1913 at Crockett, Texas
EDWARD A. NEWMAN
married at Cunningham, April 20, 1921
BUD BLEDSOE

Tony Bledsoe, only daughter of Maud Smith was born and reared at Biardstown. She was educated at San Marcos, Denton, and at the Paris Commercial College. She holds a teacher's Permanent Primary Certificate, also a teacher's Certificate in Shorthand. She lives in Paris and at present is teaching in the Paris Commercial College. She taught nine years in the rural schools of Lamar Co.

CHILD

1. FRED SMITH NEWMAN: b. Sept. 23, 1914

FREDERICK BIARD SMITH: b. May 10, 1902
married June 28, 1927 at Galveston, Texas
RUBY MAE FORD: b. May 4, 1905

Fred Smith is the only son of Maud Smith. He was born and reared at Biardstown. He is a graduate of Allen Academy at Bryan, and of the Medical Department of the State University at Galveston. After graduating he served one year as an interne in the Baptist Hospital in Houston. While there he met and married his wife. They are living in Houston, where he is practicing his profession.

ANDREW CROWDER BIARD: b. Mar. 24, 1876
married Nov. 4, 1903 in Lamar Co., Texas
NANNIE BRADEN: b. Jan. 31, 1880, in Lamar Co.

Andrew C. Biard is the second son and third child of Thomas J. Biard. He was born and reared at Biardstown, graduated in medicine at Louisville, Ky., practiced medicine at Pattonville, where all his children were born, then at Wolfe City, and is now connected with the Texas and Pacific Hospital at Marshall, Texas.

CHILDREN

1 CALLIE M. BIARD: b. Dec. 1, 1904
2 JEFFERSON BRADEN BIARD: b. Feb. 3, 1907
3 MORRIS SHEPHERD BIARD: b. Sept. 19, 1911
4 MARY LOUISE BIARD: b. Dec. 22, 1913
5 ANDREW CROWDER BIARD Jr: b. Dec. 14, 1916

CALLIE M. BIARD: b. Dec. 1, 1904.
married Feb. 11, 1926
URAL MONROE HAMRICK: b. June 17, 1897

Callie Hamrick is the oldest child of Andrew Biard. She was born at Pattonville. Her husband was born at Winnsboro, Texas. They now live at Wichita Falls.

DELILAH VIRGINIA BIARD:b. Jul. 19,1878; d. Jan. 3,1913
married Feb. 5, 1898, at Charleston
TRAVIS C. MITCHELL: b. Mar. 15, 1871; d. Mar. 6, 1899
married
ROBERT E. WILLIAMS.

"Lila", the second daughter of Thomas J. Biard was born and reared at Biardstown. married a teacher at Charlestown, Delta Co. Next year he died of meningitis at Cooper where he was teaching. Lila married a second time while she, with her parents, was living at Roxton, went to Celeste to live, moved to a farm near Mineral Wells where she died. Her body was brought back home and buried at Antioch Cemetery.

CHILDREN

1 TRAVIS C. MITCHELL: b. May 25, 1899
2 HAROLD WILLIAMS: b. Oct. 1909

TRAVIS C. MITCHELL: b. May 25, 1899.
married Dec. 24, 1917, at Paris, by Rev. Lee Garrett
ZIFTON HOMER YOUNG: b. Oct. 29, 1895.

Travis is the only daughter of Lila Biard Mitchell. She was born at Biardstown after her father's death, and was reared at the home of her grandfather, T. J. Biard, except for the time her mother was married to R. E. Williams. Her husband is her third cousin on the Biard side. They live at Vasco, Delta county, where Mr. Young is in the mercantile business.

CHILDREN

1 TRAVIS CATHARINE YOUNG: b. Jan. 3, 1919
2 VIRGINIA ANN YOUNG: b. Aug. 31, 1920
3 ZIFTON HOMER YOUNG, Jr.: b. Aug. 16, 1923
4 DORIS ELIZABETH YOUNG: b. Aug. 1, 1925

Travis Catharine Young was born at the home of her great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Biard of Biardstown, while her father was overseas in the World War.

MARY ELIZABETH BIARD: b. Aug. 5, 1890
married Sept. 6, 1906, at Roxton, Texas
ALAMO PHILLIPS
married Dec. 31, 1917, at Paris,
JACOB E. HODGES: b. Aug. 29, 1888

Mary Biard, youngest child of Thomas J. Biard, was born and reared at Biardstown. While her parents were living at Roxton, she married Alamo Phillips. They separated and she married Mr. Hodges who was born and reared in Paris. They now live in Cisco, Texas where Mr. Hodges has a position as a traveling salesman with a wholeale grocery house.

CHILD

1 LUCILE PHILLIPS: b. Apr. 20, 1908

Lucile graduated from the Cisco high school.

CHAPTER X

JOHN GAINES BIARD

JOHN GAINES BIARD: b. Aug. 20, 1816; d. March 12, 1890
married
NANCY CLAUDIA BRACKEEN
married
MALVINA JANE (CAMPBELL) STALLCUP: b. Aug. 16, 1820; d. June 2, 1898.

John Gaines Biard was the fifth child and fourth son of John Nelson Biard. He was born in Limestone county, Ala. He first came to Texas while still a single man in 1836. W. W. and J. G. Biard made the trip on horse back and stopped at Clarksville, where they built the first church house ever built there. Uncle Gaines was a stone cutter. There is a large slab of stone near a printing house in Clarksville now, with his name and the date 1842 inscribed on it.

They both went back to Alabama and married.

J. Gaines Biard came back to Texas in 1847 bringing his wife and three children. His sister, Minerva J. Stephenson and family came at the same time.

His wife soon died. He had settled over near Atlas and his wife was buried in the Campbell graveyard. He then married a neighbor, Mrs. Jane (Campbell) Stallcup. She was a widow with one child, Mary Stallcup, who afterwards married Terrell Click, an early and wealthy settler and land owner of Lamar county.

"Aunt Jane" Biard was born in Morgan county, Ala. and came to Texas in 1839 with her parents who were Jame and Mary (Stewart) Campbell.

J. Gaines Biard's farm held a great deal of limestone rock. He was a stone cutter and marked most of the early graves in the cemeteries of Lamar county. Many of these limestone tombstones have become unreadable. I looked for the grave of his first wife in the Campbell graveyard but could not find it. He and his second wife moved to Paris, Texas, where both died.

CHILDREN

1 MINERVA BIARD: b. 1842; d. Jan 19, 1880
2 HENRIETTA BIARD: b. Nov. 22, 1844; d. April 24, 1925

3 FANNIE BIARD
4 JOHN A. BIARD: b. Feb. 24, 1850; d. Aug. 17, 1887
5 KATE BIARD
6 HARRIET BIARD
7 MATTIE BIARD
8 JAMES WASHINGTON BIARD: b. Dec. 28, 1858
9 MALVINA BIARD

MINERVA E. BIARD: b. 1842; d. Jan. 19, 1880
married
WILLIAM J. KIRKPATRICK

Minerva E. Kirkpatrick was the oldest child of John Gaines Biard. She was born in Limestone county, Ala., but came to Lamar county, Texas, with her parents in 1847, where she lived and died. She is buried at Antioch cemetery.

CHILDREN

1 MOSES KIRKPATRICK
2 JAMES KIRKPATRICK
3 FANNIE KIRKPATRICK
4 NANNIE KIRKPATRICK
5 LIZZIE KIRKPATRICK
6 KATE KIRKPATRICK
7 MINERVA L. KIRKPATRICK: b. Feb. 21, 1879; d. Oct. 22, 1880

Mose and Jim Kirkpatrick formerly lived in Delta Co. Nannie married a Rowlett and died long ago. Kate married a Smith.

FANNIE KIRKPATRICK
married at Glory, Texas
DR. TOM J. RATLIFF

Fannie and her husband live in West Texas. They have one son, born Sept. 15, 1898.

LIZZIE KIRKPATRICK
married at Glory, Texas
JAMES H. RATLIFF

Lizzie and Fanny Kirkpatrick married brothers, Jim and Tom Ratliff. Lizzie lives at Minter, Texas. She has one child, J. T. Ratliff.

J. T. RATLIFF
married

J. T. Ratliff married a girl of Commerce, Texas. They live at Minter, where he is associated with his father in the mercantile business.

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HENRIETTA BIARD: b. Nov. 22, 1844; d. April 24, 1925
married Aug. 25, 1867
JOSEPH M. PRICE: b. May 22, 1838; d.

Mary Henrietta Price was the second daughter of J. Gaines Biard. Her mother was Nancy Claudia (Brackeen) Biard. Henrietta was born in Alabama, but came to Texas with her parents in 1847. She married Joseph M. Price, who was born in Virginia, but came to Lamar Co., Texas, in 1839 with his parents. He served in the Confederate Army in Company H, Ninth Texas Cavalry. He was a well to do farmer. They lived and died near Glory, Texas.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM S. PRICE: b. March 30, 1869
2. MARGARET ELLA PRICE: b. Jan. 5, 1871
3. GAINES H. PRICE: b. Nov. 24, 1872
4. CLAUDIA PRICE: b. Jan. 13, 1875
5. ALONZO PRICE: b. Dec. 18, 1876
6. MARY H. PRICE: b. Feb. 2, 1879
7. J. OSCAR PRICE: b. April 14, 1881
8. GEORGE ROSS PRICE: b. Oct. 24, 1885; d. April 3, 1925
9. LIZZIE PRICE: b. June 8, 1883

WILLIAM SAMUEL PRICE: b. March 30, 1869
married Jan. 29, 1895
CARRIE ELIZABETH McKINNEY: b. April 10, 1875

Will Price is the oldest child of Henrietta and Joseph Miller Price. He has spent his life near and in Glory, Texas, where he and his brother, "Dump," are in the mercantile business together.

CHILDREN

1. LAWRENCE SPURGEON PRICE: b. Oct. 18, 1897
2. ETHEL MAY PRICE: b. Jan. 29, 1899
3. MABEL CLAIRE PRICE: b. Sept. 28, 1900
4. IRENE PRICE: b. Oct. 27, 1902
5. LELLA PRICE: b. June 8, 1905
6. WILLIAM SAMUEL PRICE: b. Oct. 8, 1907
7. JOEL McKINNEY PRICE: b. Dec. 24, 1910

LAWRENCE PRICE: b. Oct. 18, 1897
married Feb. 3, 1920
LILLIE MARTIN

Lawrence is a farmer living near Glory.

CHILDREN

1. JOHN WILLIE PRICE: b. March 2, 1921
2. LLOYD EARL PRICE: b. April 7, 1922
3. JOANNA PRICE: b. Sept. 23, 1923

MABEL CLAIRE PRICE: b. Sept. 28, 1900
married March 25, 1928 at Paris, by W. M. Wright
MARION F. KENNEDY

Mabel Kennedy is the second daughter of William Samuel Price. She taught school several years before she married. Her husband was reared at Cunningham, but they are living now in Fort Worth.

Ethel, Irene and Lilla Price, daughters of W. S. Price, are all teachers in the rural schools of Lamar County.

Ethel had the misfortune of losing one leg when a child.

MARGARET ELLA PRICE: b. Jan. 5, 1871 d. Jan. 11, 1929.
married Dec. 15, 1892
DR. J. D. SKIDMORE: b. Nov. 21, 1861

Ella is the oldest daughter of Henrietta Price. She was born, reared and married near Glory. Since marriage she has lived at Biardstown, Glory, Pattonville and Blossom, where she now lives.

CHILDREN

1. NELLIE MARGARET SKIDMORE: b. Nov. 16, 1893
2. JENNIE SKIDMORE: b. April 26, 1895
3. JOE PRICE SKIDMORE: b. Feb. 7, 1897
4. EDNA SKIDMORE: b. Feb. 22, 1899

NELLIE MARGARET SKIDMORE: b. Nov. 16, 1893
married Nov. 15, 1916, in Biardstown.
JOEL ROBERT YOUNG: b. April 17, 1889

Nellie was born, reared and married at Biardstown. She married her third cousin on the Biard side. Joe Bob Young is a farmer and ginner at Glory, Texas.

CHILDREN

1. HELEN MARGARET YOUNG: b. Feb. 18, 1918
2. ROBERT JEFF (BOB) YOUNG: b. Oct. 5, 1920

JENNIE SKIDMORE: b. April 26, 1895
married July, 1919
VERDA TRULOCK: b. 1894

Jennie Trulock is the second daughter of Ella Skidmore. She and her husband live on a farm north of Glory.

CHILDREN

1. MARGARET JOE TRULOCK: b. July 9, 1920
2. JANE ROSLYN TRULOCK: b. Sept. 13, 1922

JOE PRICE SKIDMORE: b. Feb. 7, 1897
married at Glory, Texas
LILLIAN NORWOOD

Joe Skidmore is living at Arthur City, Texas, and working in a store.

CHILDREN

1. BETTY JO SKIDMORE
2.

EDNA SKIDMORE: b. Feb. 22, 1899
married Dec. 1921
ORAN B. TRULOCK

Edna and Oran live on the old Trulock farm northwest of Glory.

CHILD

1. ORAN B .TRULOCK Jr.: b. Dec. 28, 1922

GAINES H. PRICE: b. Nov. 24, 1872
married Oct. 1919
BESS (MAGGARD) LANCASTER

Gaines or "Dump" Price is the second son of Henrietta Price. He has spent his life near and in Glory, where he and his brother, Will, are in the mercantile business together. Dump married a widow with two children. They have one child.

CHILD

1. GAINES MILLER PRICE: b. 1920

CLAUDIA PRICE: b. Jan. 13, 1875
married Dec. 29, 1897, at Antioch Church, by Charles Manton
HARRY SMITH: b. Feb. 18, 1871; d. Dec. 31, 1927

Claudia Smith is the second daughter of Henrietta Price. She was born, reared, and married at Biardstown. Her husband was a brother to Lee Smith, whom her third cousin, Maud Biard, had married. Harry Smith was a rural teacher, mail carrier, and salesman. They moved to Paris before his death.

CHILDREN

1. GERALD BRANN SMITH: b. Jan. 7, 1901
2. ISABEL SMITH: b. Nov. 24, 1902
3. MYRA SMITH: b. April 15, 1907

GERALD BRANN SMITH: b. Jan. 7, 1901
married Dec. 12, 1925, in Paris, by J. Leslie Finnell
MARY JONES: b. Aug. 22, 1906

Gerald was born and reared in Biardstown, Texas. He lives here now and is a rural mail carrier.

CHILD

1. ROBERT HARRY SMITH: b. Aug. 12, 1927; d. Sept. 11, 1927

ISABEL SMITH: b. Nov. 24, 1902
married , 1921
CLARK JETTON: b. Jan. 17, 1901

Isabel Jetton is the oldest daughter of Claudia Smith. She taught in the rural schools of Lamar Co. two terms, then married. Her husband is a farmer. They live on her great-grandfather's (J. Gaines Biard) old home place.

CHILDREN

1. SCOTT NELSON JETTON: b. April 10, 1922
2. LAVINA JANE JETTON: b. Dec. 15, 1923

MYRA SMITH: b. April 11, 1907

Myra Smith, youngest daughter of Claudia Smith, is not yet married. She is a school teacher.

ALONZO PRICE: b. Dec. 18, 1876
married Aug. 15, 1906, at Fort Worth, Texas
MOLLIE GRAMMAR: b. May 21, 1888

"Lonnie" Price is a farmer living near Fort Worth.

CHILDREN

1. ELLA MAY PRICE: b. June 8, 1907
2. BESS ALMA PRICE: b. May 3, 1909
3. GERTRUDE LORENE PRICE: b. Feb. 5, 1912
4. RAYMOND PRICE: b. Nov. 15, 1913
5. JAMES LAWRENCE PRICE: b. Feb. 10, 1916
6. EDWIN PRICE: b. Oct. 26, 1917
7. WELDON PRICE: b. Aug. 15, 1919
8. OLEN PRICE: b. Feb. 3, 1921

ELLA MAY PRICE
married Dec. 24, 1927
VERNON STEARNS

They live at Erwin, Texas.

BESS ALMA PRICE
married Nov. 12, 1927
MELVIN BRYANT

They live at Handley, Texas

MARY HENRIETTA PRICE: b. Feb. 2, 1879
married
OLIVER DEWEESE

May Deweese is the third daughter of Henrietta Price. Her husband is a farmer. They own and live at the old J. M. Price home place.

CHILDREN

1. REGINALD DEWEESE: b. Sept. 2, 1902
2. GILBERT DEWEESE:
3. MORRIS DEWEESE:

J. OSCAR PRICE: b. April 14, 1881
married Aug. 15, 1906
EPPSIE DEWEESE: b. Aug. 29, 1886

Oscar Price married his sister, May's husband's sister. He is a farmer living between Glory and Biardstown.

CHILDREN

1. MARY JOE PRICE: b. July 28, 1907
2. CHARLESWORTH PRICE: b. Feb. 7, 1911; d. 1923
3. ROBERTS PRICE: b. July 25, 1913
4. RUTH PRICE: b. Jan. 7, 1915
5. GAINES PRICE: b. March 21, 1917
6. JAMES PRICE: b. March 21, 1917
7. An infant died aged six week.

Gaines and James are twins.

LIZZIE PRICE: b. June 8, 1883
married
WILLIE JONES

Lizzie Jones is the youngest daughter of Henrietta Price. She was born and reared near Biardstown, but has lived near Howland since her marriage to a Howland farmer.

CHILDREN

1. MARGARET JONES
2. RALPH JONES

GEORGE ROSS PRICE: b. Oct. 24, 1885; d. April 3, 1925
married Oct. 27, 1911
LOIS YOUNG: b. June 20, 1890

George was the youngest child of Henrietta Price. He married his second or third cousin on the Biard side. He was a farmer and ginner at Glory. He lost his mind before his death.

CHILDREN

1. GEORGE ROSS PRICE: b. July , 1912
2. ROBERT YOUNG PRICE: b. ,1914
3. JACK PERSHING PRICE
4. STANLEY PRICE: b. Nov. 30, 1921

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FANNIE BIARD: b. about 1846
married
NEWTON STEPHENSON

Fannie Stephenson was the third daughter of J. Gaines Biard. She was born in Limestone Co., Ala., but came to Lamar Co., Texas, with her parents when about one year old. Her mother was Nancy Claudia (Brackeen) Biard. Her husband was a brother to her Aunt Minerva's husband. They moved away from here and I know very little of her family.

CHILDREN

1. "BUSTER" STEPHENSON (ARTHUR LOGAN)
2. CLAUDIA STEPHENSON
3. LEE STEPHENSON

BUSTER STEPHENSON (ARTHUR LOGAN)
married
FANNIE McHAM

Arthur Logan or "Buster" Stephenson came back to Lamar County when a grown young man and married here. He is a farmer and ginner and lives in Paris.

CHILDREN

1. MARY STEPHENSON
2. ARTHUR STEPHENSON
3. GRACE STEPHENSON
4. FRED STEPHENSON: died in childhood

MARY STEPHENSON
married

GRACE STEPHENSON
married
ROGER COUNCIL

Grace Council is the second daughter of Buster Stephenson. She lives in Paris.

CHILDREN

1. Boy
2. Girl: b. 1928

JOHN A. BIARD: b. Feb. 24, 1850; d. Aug. 17, 1887
married
SALLIE HOOD

John A. Biard was the oldest son of J. Gaines Biard. He was born, lived and died on the farm in Lamar Co. His

wife was a sister of Charley Hood, who married John's sister, Harriet Biard.

CHILDREN

1. ELLA BIARD: Mrs. Gilbert, Paris, deceased
2. MOLLIE BIARD: deceased
3. DORA BIARD
4. DAISY BIARD
5. "PINK" BIARD
6. RICHARD BIARD
7. WILLIE BIARD

DORA BIARD
married
1. ..... BARNES
married
2. T. W. RUSSELL

Dora's first husband died. She later married T. W. Russell, a grocer of Paris.

CHILD

1.

Richard Biard's first wife died leaving a girl named Alma, whom her grandmother Biard reared. Richard married again and lives at Hot Springs, Ark.

CHILD

1. ALMA BIARD

ALMA BIARD
married
HERMAN CASS

They live at Brownwood and have one child.

CHILD

1. JAMES EDWARD CASS

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KATE BIARD
married
NEWT NORRIS

Kate Norris was a daughter of J. Gaines Biard and his second wife. After her marriage she lived for a time near the old Click school house but moved away from Lamar County.

CHILDREN

1. MALLIE NORRIS: Mrs. Dave Husky, Oklahoma City, Okla.
2. EMMA NORRIS
3. JOE NORRIS
4. RAYMOND NORRIS
5. CLIFTON NORRIS

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REBECCA HARRIET BIARD
married , 1870
CHARLES LUTHER HOOD: b. Jan. 3, 1849; d. Mar. 15, 1900

Harriet Hood was a daughter of Gaines and Malvina Jane Biard, and has spent her entire life in Lamar Co., Texas.

Her husband was born in Monroe Co., Miss., but came to Lamar Co., in 1866 with his parents. He was a farmer and stockraiser and was a brother of Sallie, the wife of John A. Biard, who was a brother of Harriet Hood. They lived near Williams' gin in south Lamar Co., but moved to Paris, where he died.

CHILDREN

1. KATY HOOD
2. WILLIAM GAINES HOOD
3. ELLA HOOD
4. JAMES A. HOOD
5. LUTHER HOOD: b. March 31, 1883; d. May 7, 1927
6. NORA HOOD

KATY HOOD
married
J. WILL WILLIAMS

Katy Williams is the oldest child of Harriet Hood. Her husband is a farmer and ginner. They live in Paris.

CHILDREN

1. URA WILLIAMS
2. LOUIS WILLIAMS
3. CHARLIE WILLIAMS
4. CECIL WILLIAMS
5. MALVINA WILLIAMS
6. JOHN WILLIE WILLIAMS

URA WILLIAMS
married
CUSTER IRWIN

Ura Irwin is the oldest child of Katy Williams. She married a farmer. He is manager of the Williams Ranch near Brookston, Texas.

CHILDREN

1. ALICE KATE IRWIN
2.
3.

LOUIS WILLIAMS
married
MAGGIE JO BOOTHE

Louis is the oldest son of Katy and Will Williams. He is a farmer living on the old John A. Biard place south of Paris.

CHILDREN (All Boys)

1.
2.
3.
4.

MALVINA WILLIAMS
married
BEDFORD BOOTHE

Malvina is the third daughter of Katy Williams. She and her brother, Louis, both married Boothes, Bedford and his sister, Maggie Jo.

CHARLIE WILLIAMS
married
CALLIE DODSON

Charlie is the second son of Katy Williams. He is a farmer living south of Paris.

CECIL WILLIAMS
married
WILL IRWIN

Cecil is the second daughter of Katy Williams. Her husband is a brother of Custer Irwin whom her sister, Ura, married.

JOHN WILLIE WILLIAMS
married in Paris
GRACE DEWEESE

John Willie Williams is the youngest son of Katy Williams. He and and his wife are third cousins on the Biard side. They live at Midland, Texas.

WILLIAM GAINES HOOD
married Dec. 23, 1897
MAUD WILLIAMS

W. G. or "Bud" Hood was the oldest son of Harriet Hood. His wife was a sister of his sister's husband, Will Williams. They moved from Lamar Co., Texas, to Hugo, Okla., where both died. He died of smallpox during an epidemic. His brothers and sisters reared his children.

CHILDREN

1. CHLOE HOOD
2. CHARLIE HOOD
3. GAINES HOOD
4. MARJORIE HOOD
5. ANNIE HOOD: telephone operator, Paris, Texas
6. JACK HOOD

Chloe Hood is the oldest child of Bud Hood. She was born in Lamar Co. She is a telephone operator in Paris and lives with her aunt, Mrs. Ella Stringer.

ELLA HOOD
married July 14, 1898
J. M. "PODE" STRINGER

Ella Stringer is the second daughter of Harriet Hood. She and her husband lived in Paris. She still lives there.

CHILD

1. LOUIS STRINGER

JAMES A. HOOD
married
LIZZIE BROWN

Jim Hood is the second son of Harriet Hood. He lives in Paris. He has no children.

LUTHER HOOD: b. Mar. 31, 1883; d. May 7, 1927
married
KATY JOHNSON

Luther was the youngest son of Harriet Hood. He was a farmer living between Biardstown and Paris. He moved to Paris, Texas, where he died.

CHILDREN

1. MINNIE BELLE HOOD
2.
3. MAUD HOOD

NORA HOOD
married
ROBERT GOOCH; b. Sept. 3, 1886; d. Dec. 13, 1914
married ,1927
Frank M. WAGGONER, of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Nora is the youngest child of Harriet Hood. She has one child by her first husband. She lived in Paris until her second marriage.

CHILD

1. ELIZABETH GOOCH

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MATTIE BIARD

Mattie is the daughter of J. Gaines Biard. She has never married. She lives alone at her home in Paris, except that she usually has "roomers" living in the house with her.

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VINA BIARD
married
GEORGE SAUNDERS

Vina Saunders was the youngest child of J. Gaines Biard. Her husband was a manufacturer of "cold drinks" in Paris.

CHILDREN

1. MATTIE SAUNDERS
2. MELITA SAUNDERS

MATTIE SAUNDERS
married
ROY JOHNSON

Mattie is a music teacher and lives in Paris.

MELITA SAUNDERS
married
LYNN WHITESIDES

They live in Paris.

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JAMES WASHINGTON BIARD: b. Dec. 28, 1858
married
1. MOLLIE WILLIAMS: b. June 30, 1861; d. Mar. 14, 1899
2. MARY PHIPPS

J. W. (Bud) Biard is the youngest son of Gaines Biard. He married his first wife at Pleasant Grove, Lamar Co. During her life time they lived on his father's old home farm south of Paris. They had six children. He and his second wife make their home in Paris. They have one child.

CHILDREN

1. LALA BIARD
2. RALPH BIARD
3. JOHN BIARD
4. WILLIE BIARD
5. ANNIE BIARD
6. MOLLIE BIARD
7. MAUDE ELIZABETH BIARD

Lala married Sam Payne. They live in Paris.

Ralph lives in Sulphur Springs.

John married. They live in Paris.

Willie died of tuberculosis after graduating from the Paris High School. Her twin, Lillie, died in infancy.

Annie married John B. Rountree and lives at Lubbock.

Mollie married Homer McCartney, and lives in Waxahachie.

Maude married Pahl Pender and lives in Paris. They have one child.

CHAPTER XI

ARCHIBALD CARROLL BIARD

ARCHIBALD CARROLL BIARD: b. Nov. 12, 1820
married
1. ..... GREEN
married
2.

Uncle Carroll Biard was the youngest son of John Nelson Biard. He was born in Limestone Co., Ala. His first wife died and left two boys. He moved to Arkansas, and after the Civil War moved to Lamar Co., Texas. In the meantime he had married again. They separated and he went back to Boone Co., Ark., and died there.

CHILDREN

1. ROBERT MORRISON BIARD: b. 1858; d. July 11, 1915
2.

ROBERT MORRISON BIARD: b. 1858; d. July 11, 1915
married at Pleasant Grove in Lamar Co. 1879
1. ELLEN HUDSON: b.
married
2.

Robert M. Biard was a son of Carroll Biard. He lived in Lamar Co., with his father when he was a child. When he was a grown man he came back and married Ellen Hudson. She died and left one child. He moved away and married again.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIE BIARD
2. WALTER BIARD
3. ARTHUR EDWARD BIARD

Arthur E. Biard lives in San Antonio with his mother, who is R. M. Biard's second wife. He is in the real estate business and his address is Barrett Building, 429 N. St. Mary's Street.

CHAPTER XII

MINERVA JANE BIARD (STEPHENSON)

MINERVA JANE BIARD: b. Feb. 25, 1825; d. Mar. 3, 1890
married
WILLIAM STEPHENSON: b. July 24, 1823; d. May 12, 1879

Aunt Minerva Stephenson was the youngest child of John Nelson Biard. She was born, reared and married in Limestone Co., Ala. Her husband was an older brother of "Newt" Stephenson, who married her niece, Fannie Biard. They came from Alabama to Lamar Co., Texas, in 1846 when her oldest child was six weeks old. They were accompanied by her brother, John Gaines Biard and family. The rest of her people and her husband's people had already come. Mr. Stephenson was a cousin of Robert S. (H) Wheat from whom her brothers, Andrew Jackson and William Washington Biard, bought their land. She and her husband first settled on a part of that land. They settled the place in Biardstown where Gerald Smith now lives. Afterward she moved over west near Aud's Creek where she reared her family and died. Her husband, like all the earlier Biards, was a farmer. His mother, Aunt Polly Stephenson, was a sister to Robert Wheat's mother.

CHILDREN

1. MATILDA ANN STEPHENSON: b. May 21, 1846
2. REBECCA FRANCES STEPHENSON: b. Apr. 15, 1848; d. Mar. 17, 1897
3. GEORGE W. STEPHENSON: b. Feb. 18, 1850; d. Sept. 8, 1899
4. MARY ELLEN STEPHENSON: b. June 24, 1852; d. May 30, 1917
5. JOHN LOGAN STEPHENSON: b. Feb. 1, 1854; d. Apr. 27, 1857
6. DELILA KATHERINE STEPHENSON: b. Nov. 26, 1856; d. 1918
7. RUFUS NEWTON STEPHENSON: b. Aug. 31, 1859
8. WILLIAM ALEXANDER STEPHENSON: b. Sept. 17, 1861

MATILDA ANN STEPHENSON: b. May 21, 1846
married July 18, 1867
LEWIS W. DEWEESE: b. Nov. 10, 1845; d. Feb. 17, 1928

"Tilda Ann" Deweese, as she is known, was born in Limestone Co., Ala., but at the early age of six weeks she left her first home for Lamar Co., Texas. She spent almost her whole life here. First on the farm where she reared her family and in her later years she and her husband moved to Paris where he died.

CHILDREN

1. MAGNOLIA ANN DEWEESE: b. Aug. 16, 1868
2. JAMES WILLIAM DEWEESE: b. July 27, 1875
3. LEWIS WALTER DEWEESE: b. Jan. 30, 1878
4. EDGAR ROSCOE DEWEESE: b. Feb. 25, 1881

MAGNOLIA ANN DEWEESE: b. Aug. 16, 1868
married May 1, 1888
ROBERT H. YOUNG: b. Nov. 20, 1862

Magnolia Ann, or "Maggie" Young is the only daughter of Matilda Ann Deweese. She has lived her life in Lamar Co., where her husband is a prominent man—farmer, ginner, merchant and banker.

CHILDREN

1. JOEL ROBERT YOUNG: b. Apr. 17, 1889
2. LOIS YOUNG: b. June 20, 1890
3. STELLA YOUNG: b. Sept. 14, 1892
4. ZIFTON HOMER YOUNG: b. Oct. 29, 1895
5. MARY THERESA YOUNG: b. Jan. 21, 1898
6. RALPH YOUNG: b. Nov. 21, 1899
7. BONNIE BELLE YOUNG: b. Nov. 19, 1902
8. ROY YOUNG: b. Dec. 25, 1904
9. EMMA DORIS YOUNG: b. Aug. 17, 1912

LOIS YOUNG: b. June 20, 1890
married Oct. 27, 1911
GEORGE ROSS PRICE: b. Oct. 24, 1885; d. Apr. 3, 1925

*See Chapter X, Henrietta Biard Price.

Lois Young married her second cousin or third counsin on the Biard side. He was a farmer. He lost his mind before he died. She lives in Glory and teaches in the Glory school.

CHILDREN

1. GEORGE ROSS PRICE: b. July , 1912
2. ROBERT YOUNG PRICE: b. , 1914
3. JACK PERSHING PRICE
4. STANLEY PRICE: b. Nov. 30, 1921

JOEL ROBERT YOUNG: b. Apr. 17, 1889
married Nov. 15, 1915 at Biardstown
NELLIE MARGARET SKIDMORE: b. Nov. 16, 1893

"Joe Bob" is the oldest son of Maggie Young. He married his third cousin on the Biard side. His wife is a niece of his sister Lois' husband. Joe Bob is a farmer and ginner at Glory. For their children see chapter X, and Henrietta Biard Price.

STELLA YOUNG: b. Sept. 14, 1892
married Jan. 27, 1918
HOUSTON BRECHEEN

Stella is the second daughter of Maggie Young. She and her husband formerly taught in Lamar Co. They are now living in West Texas.

CHILD

1. BILLY BRECHEEN

MARY THERESA YOUNG: b. Jan. 21, 1898
married
GROVER PICKERING: b. Oct. 25, 1893

Theresa Pickering is the third daughter of Maggie Young. Her husband is a merchant and is also now connected with the Lamar State Bank. They have recently moved from Vasco, Delta Co., to Paris, Lamar Co., Texas.

CHILDREN

1. GROVER DEWEESE PICKERING: b. Nov. 7, 1918
2. GORDON YOUNG PICKERING: b. Jan. 7, 1920
3. MAGGIE FAY PICKERING: b. Jan. 11, 1922
4. MARY CLARISSA PICKERING: b. Nov. 5, 1927

ZIFTON HOMER YOUNG: b. Oct. 29, 1895
married Dec. 24, 1917, at Paris, by Lee Garrett
TRAVIS C. MITCHELL: b. May 25, 1899

Zifton is the second son of Maggie Young. He was born and reared at Glory, Texas, but is now living at Vasco., Delta Co., where he is a merchant. His wife is his third cousin on the Biard side. For the children see Chapter IX, Andrew Jackson Biard.

BONNIEBELL YOUNG: b. Nov. 19, 1902
married in Glory, April 29, 1928, by W. M. Wright
W. D. NORWOOD

Bonniebell is next to the youngest of Maggie Young's girls. She was born and reared at Glory, educated at Denton and taught for several years in the rural schools of Lamar Co. They now live in Dallas, Texas.

JAMES WILLIAM DEWEESE: b. July 27, 1875
married Dec. 27, 1903, at Glory, Texas
MATTIE RATLIFF

James William, or "Jim Bill" Deweese is the oldest son of Matilda Ann Deweese. His home is in Paris, where he is in the insurance business. He has been Tax Assessor of Lamar Co., and Mayor of the City of Paris.

CHILDREN

1. GRACE DEWEESE
2. HAZEL DEWEESE

GRACE DEWEESE
married at Paris
JOHN WILLIE WILLIAMS

Grace married her third cousin on the Biard side. She is a graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Texas. They live in Midland, Texas.

LEWIS WALTER DEWEESE: b. Jan. 30, 1878
married Dec. 19, 1907, at Beeville, Texas
MALLIE LAURA WEATHERSBY

Walter Deweese is the second son of Matilda Ann Deweese He has been a teacher almost continuously since he finished his education. He has been District Clerk of Lamar Co., and is at present principal of the West Paris school. His wife taught with him at Beeville before marriage.

CHILDREN

1. LOUIS WEATHERSBY DEWEESE: b. Aug. 24, 1912
2. CHARLES ROSCOE DEWEESE: b. Apr. 16, 1916

EDGAR ROSCOE DEWEESE: b. Feb. 25, 1881
married May 20, 1909, at Fort Worth
ALTHA SHELBY

Edgar Deweese is the youngest child of Matilda Ann Deweese. He lives in Hugo, Okla. His wife's home was at Winnsboro before they married.

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REBECCA FRANCES STEPHENSON: b. Apr. 15, 1848: d. Mar. 17, 1897
married
WILLIAM CHASE PRICE

Rebecca Frances, or "Fannie" Price was the second child of Minerva Jane Stephenson. She and her cousin, Henrietta Biard, married brothers, Will and Joe Price. She lived and died in Delta Co. Her husband married again and lived in Commerce, Hunt Co. He was a farmer.

CHILDREN

1. LELA PRICE
2. MARY PRICE
3. SAM PRICE
4. OLA PRICE
5. WILLIE PRICE
6. MINNIE PRICE

LELA PRICE
married
---------- RICE

Lela Price had at least two children, Winnie and Maud Rice. After their mother died their aunt, Mrs. Mary Ellen Stephenson Cross, took Maud Rice and kept her until she married Quilla Cheatham. They moved out west and I know nothing further except that Quilla Cheatham is dead.

Mary Price married an Anderson.

Ola Price married Drew Young, a brother of R. H. Young, whom her cousin, Maggie Deweese, had married.

Willie Price married Bob Cheatham, a brother of Quilla Cheatham, whom Maud Rice, her niece married. Bob C. is dead. Willie lives in Commerce and has two children.

CHILDREN

1. BALMA CHEATHAM

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GEORGE W. STEPHENSON: b. Feb. 18, 1850; d. Sept. 18, 1898

George was Aunt Minerva Jane Stephenson's oldest son. He never married and was blind for many years before he died.

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MARY ELLEN STEPHENSON: b. June 24, 1852; d. May 30, 1917
married
LUCIUS L. CROSS

Mary Ellen Cross was the third daughter of Minerva Jane Stephenson. Her husband was a farmer living north of Glory. They moved to Paris where both died. She was a dressmaker and a lover of flowers. She had no children, but partially reared Maud Rice, her grand niece, the grandchild of her sister, Fannie Stephenson Price.

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DELILA KATHARINE STEPHENSON: b. Nov. 26, 1856; d. 1918
married
GEORGE T. YATES d. 1928

"Dink" Yates, as she was known, was the youngest daughter of Minerva J. Stephenson. Her husband was a farmer, first living north of Glory, then moving to Walls, Texas, where she died. He died at San Angelo in 1928.

CHILDREN

1. LILA YATES
2. DEWEY YATES
3. GEORGE YATES
4. MRS. PEARL YATES JOHNSON

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RUFUS NEWTON STEPHENSON: b. Aug. 31, 1859
married
PARALEE HOWELL

"Rufe" Stephenson was the seventh child but third son of Minerva J. Stephenson. He was a farmer, first in Lamar Co., and later at Celeste in Hunt Co., where he died. His wife was the daughter of George Howell, a brother of "Jode" Howell, who married a Pritchard, descended from George Biard and who lived near Glory. Paralee Howell was an orphan reared by her aunt, Mrs. Ludwick, near Broadway.

They had six or seven children but the only one I know anything about is Maud. She married Leo Braden, died and left three children, two boys and a girl. Rufus Braden died in 1927 while away at school. Leo is a brother of Edna and Nannie Braden, sisters, who married John Willie and Andrew Biard who were cousins and second cousins to Maud Stephenson.

CHILDREN

1. RUFUS
2. PAUL
3. MINERVA

WILLIAM ALEXANDER STEPHENSON: b. Sept. 16, 1871; d.
married
LILA MAY JUSTISS: ;d. Apr. 25, 1887
married
OPHELIA MILLS

Willie Stephenson was the youngest child of Minerva Stephenson. He was born, reared, and married in Lamar Co., Texas, but spent the later years of his life at Durant, Okla., where he died. He had two boys by his first wife.

CHILDREN

1. W. JESSE STEPHENSON
2. DEE STEPHENSON
3. RALPH STEPHENSON: b. 1893; d. March 26, 1928
4. GLADYS STEPHENSON
5. MRS. CHARLIE HARDY of Cooper

W. JESSE STEPHENSON
married
.....COSTON: ;d. May 7, 1928

Jesse Stephenson is a son of Willie and Lila May Justiss Stephenson. He lives at Soper, Okla.

CHILDREN

1. LILA MAE STEPHENSON
2. MARY STEPHENSON MILLICAN

RALPH STEPHENSON: b. 1893; d. March 26, 1928
married at Broadway, Texas
ARCHIE BABB

Ralph Stephenson was a son of Willie and Ophelia Stephenson. He was born, reared and married in Lamar Co., Texas, but moved to Durant, Okla., where he died.

CHILDREN

1. SON
2. SON
3. DAUGHTER

CHAPTER XIII

CHURCH AFFILIATION

In this genealogy I have said very little of the religion of the members of the Biard family.

In the beginning, I suppose they were all Baptists. The descendants of George Biard (born 1777), who was a brother of John Nelson Biard, were, and are yet, so far as I know them, all Baptists.

Also, it is known that Andrew Jackson Biard came to the Christian Church from the Baptist in 1833, being a charter member of the first Christian Church established in Limestone Co., Ala.

John Nelson Biard, the ancestor of the majority of the Lamar Co., Texas, Biards, had married Rebecca Stone, a niece of Barton Warren Stone, one of the two men who formulated the doctrines of the then new Christian Church, so when the new doctrine was first preached in Limestone Co., Ala., by Alexander Campbell himself in 1833, her children joined that church and he organized with them the church at "Old Reunion" about 10 miles from Athens, Ala. This was the first Christian Church in the County.

When, thirteen years later, the Biards migrated to Texas, they brought their belief in the doctrines of that church with them and almost as soon as they were established in their new homes they organized the Christian Church at Antioch, near Biardstown, Lamar Co., Texas.

They came to Lamar Co. in 1847, and in Feb. 1848, the first grave was made in the Antioch Cemetery, so although the records have been lost, it is probable that the church was organized in 1847 or 1848. There were eleven charter members and Squire Ed Skidmore, whose wife, Jane Cheatham, had come to Texas from Alabama with the Biards, was made one of the first Elders of the church.

Almost without exception, the descendants of those Biards who settled Biardstown and organized Antioch Church have been members of the Christian Church. There have been two preachers of that faith in the family, James Monroe Biard and his son, James Robert Biard.

It used to be said that the Biards were the "Royal Family" at Antioch.

Though they are widely scattered now they still preserve their faith in the doctrines of the Christian Church.

APPENDIX I

THE FINNS

EDWARD W. FINN: d. in Limestone Co., Ala., 1845
married
MARTHA MULLINS: d. in Limestone Co., Ala., after 1858

Edward W. Finn is the first ancestor of whom we have any record on the Finn side. He was of French Huguenot stock and came from North Carolina to Wilson Co., Tennessee, where his daughter, Delila was born, 1809, then to Limestone Co., Alabama. where Amanda was born in 1819, and where he lived until his death in 1845. He had two brothers, William and Gabriel Finn, who went away and were never again heard from, and for whom William Gabriel Biard was named.

His wife was Martha Mullins. Her people came from Indianapolis, Ind. Her mother was a Hankins, I suppose, as she had an uncle, Jerry Hankins.

Edward Finn was a soldier in the Battle of New Orleans, Jan. 8, 1815.

His home was at Cedar Grove in Limestone Co., Ala. His widow lived there until her death, which was after 1858, and managed her farm. In her letters to her daughters she mentions her corn, wheat, and cotton. She sold some cotton in New Orleans in 1852 for 7⅜c per pound.

At his death in 1845 Edward Finn possessed a considerable amount of property for the times. He left a will and made his son-in-law, J. M. Tweedy, executor. I have a copy of Tweedy's report to the Court. It is an itemized account of sales and collections amounting to nearly $4000. He also had 14 slaves which were divided among his eleven children besides several which his widow kept.

CHILDREN

1. NANCY FINN: died away from home, unmarried
2. MARY ANN FINN
3. JANE FINN: d. Nov. 3, 1854, Tyler Co. Texas
4. DELILA FINN: b. Sept. 2, 1809; d. Aug. 12, 1887
5. AMANDA MENIFEE FINN: b. Feb. 11, 1819; d. Jan. 7, 1899
6. LAVINA FINN: died during Civil War
7. ELIZABETH FINN
8. J. WILLIAM FINN: b. Mar. 3, 1824; d. Jan. 6, 1897
9. CELIA FINN
10. WILSON FINN
11. CAROLINE FINN
12. JOHN W. FINN

MARY ANN FINN: d. before 1852
married
WILLIAM RALY

Mary Ann Raly and her sister, Jane, married brothers.

CHILDREN

1. MARY ANN RALY
2. JOHN RALY

MARY ANN RALY
married
.....BOWEN

Mary Ann Raly lived with her aunt Mrs. Tweedy and with her grandmother, Mrs. Martha Finn in 1852. She married a man who was old enough to be her father and moved to Texas after the Civil War. She died in Grayson Co., Texas. She had two children.

John Raly, the son of Mary Ann Finn Faly, was living at Mrs. Tweedy's in 1852. He was living with his uncle, Charles Raly, at Woodville, in Tyler Co., Texas, in 1854. His aunt, Betsy Wheat, thought he was a dear good boy.

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JANE FINN: d. Nov. 3, 1854
married
CHARLES RALY

Jane Raly was the daughter of Edward Finn. She and her husband, Charles Raly's sister, Mrs. Lockhart, and their families must have come to Texas with the Robert S. Wheats. The three families were living at Clarksville in 1846, when the Biards came to Texas. The same three families moved to Woodville, in Tyler Co., Texas, in 1849. Mrs. Lockhart died there in 1853 and Jane Raly in 1854.

CHILD

1. BEN FRANKLIN RALY

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DELILA FINN: b. Sept. 2, 1809; d. Aug. 12, 1887
married Dec. 23, 1833, in Limestone Co., Ala.
ANDREW JACKSON BIARD: b. Sept. 10, 1814; d. June 14, 1902

Delila Biard was the daughter of Edward Finn. She was born in Wilson Co., Tenn., reared and married in Limestone Co., Ala., came to Texas in 1846 and to Lamar Co., in 1847. She lived the rest of her life on the place they settled in 1847 and died there in 1887. She became blind in one eye but at her death her hair was still coal black, at

78. She brought her husband's wedding socks to Texas with her. Her grandson, Winburn Baird, has them now.

Delila Biard inherited one slave, a girl named Amanda, from her father's estate. As Amanda's descendants are still living in Lamar Co., I think this is the place to record a little about them. She, Amanda, came to Texas with the Biards in 1846 and at the time they were freed after the Civil War she had six children: Richard, Dave, Aaron, Jack, Si, and Hattie. Amanda died in the Moore's Springs neighborhood of tuberculosis brought on by exposure and starvation. Richard lives at Mt. Vernon, Aaron at Tulsa, Okla., Jack at Petty, Dave in Paris. Hattie and Si are dead. Arvella Petty and Emma Patton who live at Biardstown are daughters of Richard.

For the children of Delila Biard see Andrew Jackson Biard in "The Biard Family."

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AMANDA MENIFEE FINN: b. Feb. 11, 1819; d. Jan. 7, 1899
married Dec. 17, 1840 in Limestone Co., Ala.
WILLIAM WASHINGTON BIARD: b. Sept. 10, 1812; d. Feb. 7, 1892

Amanda Biard was the daughter of Edward and Martha Finn. There is a County and also a family in Kentucky named Menifee. They must have named her for one of them. She was born, reared and married in Limestone Co., Ala. Came to Texas with her husband in 1846, lived from 1847 on, and died in Lamar Co. She and her husband and one child, Sam Houston, went back to Alabama to visit her mother in 1854. Houston was very sick on the way home. For her children see William Washington Biard in "The Biard Family."

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LAVINIA FINN: d. during Civil War
married
JOSEPH M. TWEEDY: d. July 2, 1851

Lavinia Tweedy was a daughter of Edward Finn. She married a widower with several boys. Two of them were Robert and Mack. Robert married Miss Featherstone in Alabama in 1858. Mack was an invalid, at least in 1858.

Lavinia lived until the Civil War. She and her daughter, Mrs. Tom Lightfoot and family came to Lamar Co., Texas, during the Civil War, stayed a short while, then went to Poplar Bluff, Ark. Lavinia Tweedy died and was buried there, but after the war was over the Lightfoots

went back to Alabama. They sent and had Mrs. Tweedy's body brought home to Alabama and buried.

CHILD

1. MARTHA ANN TWEEDY

MARTHA ANN TWEEDY
married
TOM LIGHTFOOT

"Mattie" Tweedy's husband was a brother of Aunt Sallie Ewing of Paris. Mattie Lightfoot died in Alabama. Her husband brought the children to Texas. They lived at Ravenna. He married again.

CHILDREN

1. TOM LIGHTFOOT
2. MACK LIGHTFOOT
3. BOB LIGHTFOOT

Tom and Mack Lightfoot died long ago in Paris, Texas.

BOB LIGHTFOOT
married
MATTIE GANO, of Dallas

Bob's wife did not live very long. They had one child.

CHILD

1. GANO LIGHTFOOT

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ELIZABETH FINN
married
ROBERT S. WHEAT

Elizabeth Wheat was a daughter of Edward and Martha Finn. She married a cousin of the Stephenson boys, William, Newton, etc. Their mothers were sisters.

Robert Wheat came to Red River Co., Texas, in December, 1832. I do not know whether he was married then or not. He patented the R. H. Wheat survey of 1000 acres of land in Lamar Co., November 7, 1845. Robert S. Wheat and Charles Raly and their families were living in Red River Co. in 1846 when the Biards came to Texas.

On October 6, 1846, Robert Wheat and wife deeded the land to Andrew Jackson Biard, William Washington Biard, William Cheatham and—well, Aunt Minerva Stephenson and husband, William, settled the other fourth. Her mother died there in 1848. I do not know whether they bought it or not. Uncle Washington Biard bought it from William Wheat, Sept. 12, 1851.

Robert Wheat, Charles Raly, Raly's brother-in-law, Lockhart, and their families moved to Woodville, Tyler Co., Texas, in 1849. Mrs. Lockhart, Raly's sister, died there in 1853 and Jane Raly died there in 1854. The Wheats were both living there in 1854. Aunt Sis says that the Wheats moved to Wheatville near Naples in Titus Co., and that Robert Wheat died in the asylum, having lost his mind.

CHILDREN

1. HARRIET GORDON WHEAT (PATTERSON)
2. DICK WHEAT
3. TINE WHEAT
4. WILLIE WHEAT. (She mentions him in a letter in 1854)

HARRIET GORDON WHEAT
married
..... PATTERSON

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JOSEPH WILLIAM FINN: b. Mar. 3, 1824; d. Jan. 6, 1897
married in Limestone Co., Ala., Dec. 26, 1844
CLARISSA GIBSON: b. 1824; d. June 8, 1875
married in Lamar Co., Texas
SIBIA BIARD BAILEY: b. Oct. 29, 1829; d. Nov. 25, 1884
married in Lamar Co., Texas
SUSAN WRIGHT BECKET

William Finn was a son of Edward Finn. He was born, reared and married in Alabama; moved to Mississippi, where his daughter, Mattie, was born; moved from Mississippi to Red River Co., Texas, where his son, James, was born; then to Woodruff Co., Ark., where his daughter, Sallie, was born. They stayed there until Feb., 1869, when the family including Mattie's husband, William K. Griffin, came to Biardstown, Lamar Co., Texas. He remained here until his death. He served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War. His second wife was a niece of his brothers-in-law, A. J. and W. W. Biard.

CHILDREN

1. MATTIE FINN: b. Oct. 8, 1846; d. Aug. 29, 1927
2. JAMES IVY FINN: b. Mar. 1, 1849; d.
3. SALLIE FINN: b. July 24, 1851; d. Sept. 25, 1873

MARTHA CAROLINE FINN: b. Oct. 8, 1846; d. Aug. 29, 1927
married March 20, 1867 in Woodruff Co., Ark.
WILLIAM K. GRIFFIN: b. Sept. 24, 1845

Mattie Griffin was the oldest child of William Finn. She was born in Mississippi, reared and married in Arkan-

sas, came to Biardstown, Lamar Co., Texas, in 1869, where she reared her family and died.

Her husband was reared at Atlanta, Georgia. He enlisted in the Confederate Army in Georgia. After the war was over and after Sherman's march through Georgia, everything was torn up and he went to Woodruff Co., Ark. He married, came to Texas with his wife's people. They lived first on W. W. Biard's farm two years then for three years on A. J. Biard's farm, leasing and clearing what is now a part of J. M. Biard's farm, then bought his present home and moved to it. They have lived there ever since.

CHILDREN

1. SARAH BEULAH GRIFFIN: b. Feb. 6, 1874
2. HENRY IVY GRIFFIN: b. May 14, 1876
3. MATTIE LULA GRIFFIN: b. Nov. 21, 1882

SARAH BEULAH GRIFFIN: b. Feb. 6, 1874
married March 11, 1896
WILLIAM O. PARKER: b. Dec. 28, 1870

Beulah Parker is the older daughter of William Kugley and Mattie Griffin.

CHILDREN

1. WILLIAM WILLARD PARKER: b. Mar. 4, 1898
2. LIDA MAE PARKER: b. Sept. 13, 1905
3. HELEN IVY PARKER: b. Apr. 3, 1913

HENRY IVY GRIFFIN: b. May 14, 1876
married Nov. 20, 1904
WILLIE GERTRUDE JOHNSON: b. Jan. 29, 1886; d. Nov. 18, 1905

Ivy Griffin is the only son of W. K. and Mattie Griffin. He is a farmer and has spent his life in Lamar Co., Texas.

CHILD

1. WILLIE MILTON GRIFFIN: b. Nov. 3, 1905; d. Oct. 8, 1906

MATTIE LULA GRIFFIN: b. Nov. 21, 1882
married May 4, 1913
LOUIS ELMER SIMS: b. Oct. 23, 1874

CHILDREN

1. OMAR EARL SIMS: b. Dec. 9, 1914
2. DAVID GRIFFIN SIMS: b. Sept. 7, 1916
3. FRANKLIN IVY SIMS: b. Oct. 21, 1918

CELIA D. FINN: d. about 1856
married
ALFRED JONES: d. about 1852

Celia Jones was the youngest daughter of Edward and Martha Finn. She and her husband died at Ebenezer, Miss. They left two children whom his relatives cared for. An uncle was their guardian. The children lived at Lexington, Miss.

CHILDREN

1. HAMILTON WASHINGTON JONES: b. 1849; d. Nov. 1899
2. JACK JONES

Hamilton or "Hamp" Jones had scarlet fever when he was 2½ years old. It left him deaf and dumb. He attended the Deaf and Dumb Institute in Baton Rouge, La., in 1866-67. Later, he came to Texas. He stayed several years in Lamar Co., then went to Mineola to visit his aunt, Caroline Williamson. Soon after her death he was run over by a train there and killed in November, 1899. His brother, Jack, also visited in Lamar Co., sometime before the death of their aunt, Delila Biard.

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WILSON FINN
married
HARRIET HIGGINS

Wilson was another son of Edward Wilson Finn. He seems to have been a carpenter or furniture maker. He made a sugar chest for his sister, Delila. He also made a bedside table for each one of his sisters. Ab Biard has Delila's sugar chest. He was living in Limestone Co., Ala., in 1852, but he was never well, his mother said in a letter. He seems to have died there before 1858.

CHILDREN

1. WILSON FINN
2. HIRAM FINN

Wilson Finn was married twice. Wilson Jr., was a son of the second wife, Hiram of the first.

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CAROLINE FINN: d. Oct. 28, 1899
married
JOHN WILLIAMSON

Caroline Williamson was the youngest daughter of Edward Finn. She and her husband, who was a dentist, stayed in Alabama until about 1866, when they came to Lamar Co., Texas. Later, they moved to Mineola, Texas, where she died.

CHILDREN

1. JOE WILLIAMSON: b. about 1851
2. SIDNEY WILLIAMSON
3. CLARENCE WILLIAMSON

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John W. Finn, or "Jack" Finn, was the youngest son of Edward and Martha Finn. He was never married. He was a fiddler, hunter, and fisherman. He went to Arkansas in 1858. He was living at Linden, in St. Francis Co., Ark., in 1871. He was found dead in a fisherman's hut on some river in Arkansas.

APPENDIX II

THE STONES

EZEKIEL STONE: b. Nov. 24, 1756; d. 1837
married
JANE WOODS: b. Mar. 29, 1761; d. 1837

Ezekiel Stone was one of our ancestors, since John Nelson Biard married his daughter. He was one of twenty children and was an older brother of Barton Warren Stone, one of the four men who founded the Christian Church. His wife's people were Baptists; some of them were preachers.

CHILDREN

1. REBECCA STONE: b. Oct. 12, 1782; d. Feb. 18, 1848
2. KATY STONE: married Robinon; 2nd husband John Dunn
3. Daughter, who married a McCord
4. WILLIAM STONE: went to Congress
5. DICK STONE: was a preacher
6. TOM STONE: was a preacher

Rebecca Stone married John Nelson Biard. For her children see most all of the book.

Katy Stone's first husband was a lawyer named Robinson. They had several children, all boys. After his death she married John Dunn. She had no Dunn children, but she was a stepmother to "Grandma Canter" who came to Texas with the McElyeas. Grandma Canter was a stepmother to Grandma McElyea, the mother of Ben, George, etc., and of Rufe Canter, who married a sister of Uncle Henry Kennemer.

Katy Stone Robinson Dunn was the Aunt Katy for whom W. Washington and J. Gaines Biard named so many of their descendants. She was still living in Limestone Co., Ala., in 1858.

Mrs. McCord had a son, Billy McCord, who came to Texas after the Civil War and stayed one year with his cousin, Andrew Jackson Biard.

BARTON WARREN STONE

Barton W. Stone was born near Port Tobacco, Maryland, Dec. 24, 1772.

He was one of twenty children of a son of the Earl of Surrey. His mother was Mary Warren Stone.

He graduated at Guilford, N. C., in 1793. He taught in Washington, Ga. He was a Presbyterian and was pastor at Cane Ridge and Concord, Ky., in 1798.

In 1801 with four others, Walter Scott, James O. Kelley, Alexander Campbell, and one other he formed the Christian Church, founding churches in Ohio, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

In 1832 he united the Stoneites and Campbellites in Kentucky. He moved to Jacksonville, Ill., in 1834.

He died at the home of his daughter at Hannibal, Mo.. Nov. 9, 1844.

His first wife was Eliza Campbell. The second, a Miss Bowen of Tennessee, a niece of his first wife. He had two daughters, Mrs. Mary Anne Moore of Lexington, Ky., and Mrs. Amanda W. Bowen of Hannibal, Mo.

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Additional Facts learned about the Bairds, Bards, Biards and Beards

"When writing came into general use the simple name Bard became: Biard, Baird and Beard causing confusion and difficulty in tracing lineages"

(G. E. Seilhamer in Chronicle of the Bards)

Henry Bard was naturalized in Philadelphia Co. Penn. in 1740. His name appears in a list of "Persons being Quakers or such who conscientiously scruple to take an oath". (Same as above).

"Colonel Henry Beard lived in Lexington Kentucky in 1812. He was a soldier in the War of 1812; was in the battle of the River Raisin; Had a son Oliver Hazard Perry Beard, born in Fayette Co., Ky in 1822. O. H. P. Beard lived in Lexington

(Kentucky Biographies)

"Bardstown Ky. was established in 1788 and called Bairdstown. Nelson Co. was formed in 1784 and named in honor of Thomas Nelson of Virginia."

(Kentucky History).

"Barton W. Stone's mother, a widow, moved in 1779 to the Dan River in the backwoods of Virginia". (Ky. Biographies).

Henry Baird.

From the records in Halifax Co. Va. we learn the following facts about Henry Baird. He came into Halifax Co. Va. from Buckingham Co. Va. and bought 100 acres of land on the middle fork of Tiffinit Creek April 20, 1781. He sold this land May 18, 1786.

Oct. 16, 1783 he bought 186 acres on both sides of Bradley Creek. This was his homestead for when he sold it his wife Keranhappuch signed the deed. They sold it July 7, 1794.

March 25, 1784 he bought 150 acres on Bradley Creek adjoining his other land. He sold this June 21, 1791.

In 1790 his family consisted of 12 whites, no slaves.

He always signed his name Henry Baird and his wife Keranhappuch.

The records of Buckingham Co. Va. were burned.

At that time there were other Bairds in Hal. Co. who seem to have gone into Person Co. N. C. There was a William and a James. James married Sarah Wade.

Bedford Co. Va Beards or Biards.

Sept. 27th, 1760. Adam Biard bought 413 acres on the fork of Otter river.

He died between 1777-8 leaving a wife Elizabeth, daughter Rachel Dixon, son Samuel to whom he left my father's lands on Falling R., son Adam Jr. to whom he gave the above lands if Samuel died before he returned from the war, and son David.

His adams father John Beard died in 1780 leaving a wife Elizabeth, daughter Elizabeth, several granddaughters, and grand sons Adam, David, and Samuel.

Adam Beard died between 1787-8 leaving wife Margaret, Children Elizabeth and Mary Ennis. Executor, Samuel Biard.

John Biard died between 1786-7 leaving wife Jemima, sons Stephen, Abialom and James, and daughter Mary Hix.

These are taken from Bedford Co. Records. I have no doubt Henry Baird was our ancestor from his wife's name, and these others were probably related as they spelled it Biard.